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Community Savings Opens New Branch



COMMUNITY SAVINGS BANK HAS RELOCATED ITS Feeding Hills branch office to the New Community Shops. On hand for the grand opening ceremonies on Wednesday, December 11th, were, from left - Roswell Derby, senior vice-president; Anthony Grimaldi, branch manager; Roy A. Scott, president; Donald M. Rheault, president of the Agawam Town Council; Reid Charles, town manager; and Henry Kosak, vice-president. Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.

Feeding Hills Site Of First U.S. Public Tree...

The First Christmas Tree

by Marilyn & Dick Curry - Local Historians

Just about 20 years ago this Christmas season, a small group of villagers gathered outside the front of Granger Elementary School in Feeding Hills. It was evening and a good amount of snow had already fallen, giving our village green a true semblance of the Yuletide scene.

As the dignitaries appeared on the scene and stood before the small evergreen tree just beyond the school entrance, the soft murmur of voices came to a hush in anticipation of the opening ceremonies that would commemorate a local village custom for over 100 years: lighting of the village Christmas tree!

It is hard to believe that today, less than 20 years ago, our village truly represented the typical Yankee village known the world over by local bards, poets, and artists such as Currier-Ives.

Yet, the fact remains that not too long ago one might easily pass through Feeding Hills center without realizing the quiet majesty that was once the envy of so many towns and cities that had since gone the route of modern progress.

As witnesses to this memorable occasion, we glanced about the general area, carefully acknowledging the living memorials to our village and national heritage, including across from the old Revolutionary parade ground was Tony's filling station, known and patronized by out-of-towners and residents alike; diagonally across was the old Wright House, still family residence; and on the north corner intersection was the Hamilton house that once served as well-known tavern in the 1950's.

Adjacent to this property was the Feeding Hills Library, behind which was the local Fire Barn. Since

then, these tributes to our heritage have long since gone the route of progress.

Nonetheless, this particular winter's evening was set by "Divine Providence."

Well-Dressed For The Season

Although folks were well-dressed for the season, just about everyone was shifting one foot to the other in an effort to keep warm.

The air was bitter cold and it seemed that if you listened intently enough, one might hear the snow falling. Among the dignitaries were Fathers George Linsey and James Shea of Sacred Heart.

Of course, no village gathering would be complete without everyone's friend, the Reverend Frank Dunn. Also present was Reverend Raymond Sweeney of the Feeding Hills Congregational Church. Feeding Hills' "pedagogical patriarch," Jim Loomis, principal of Granger School, stood to one side of the proud evergreen awaiting the appropriate signal to "throw the switch" that would light the tree.

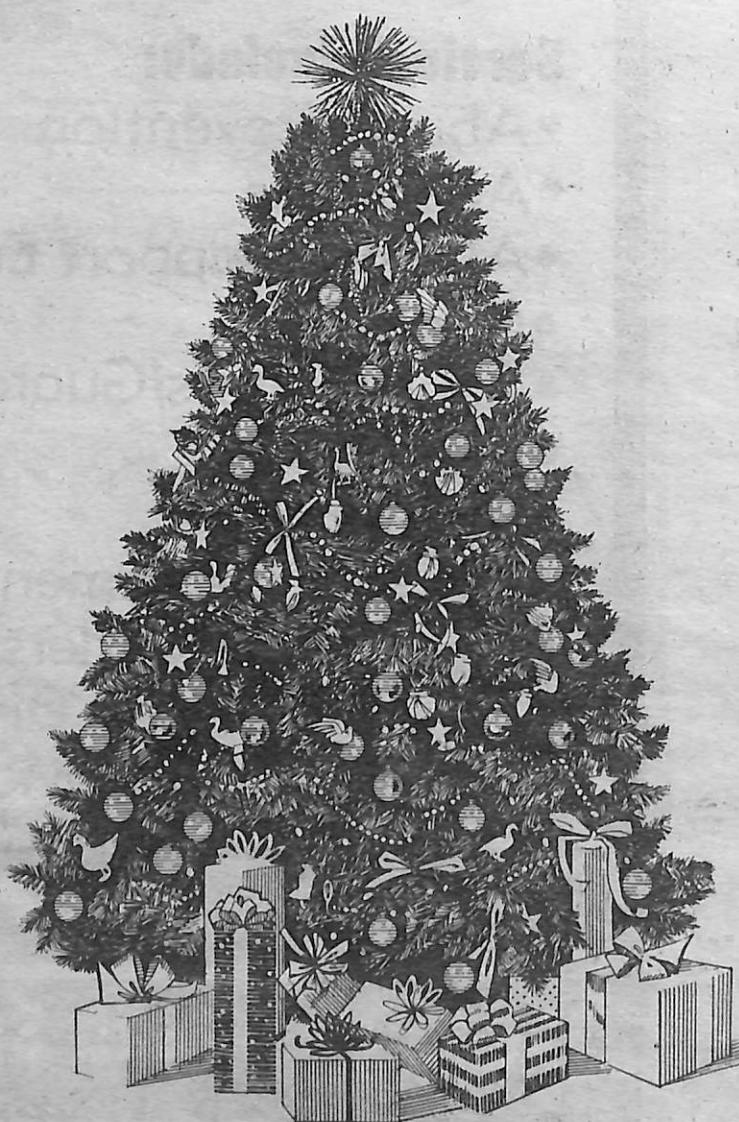
Following a few words from Reverend Dunn, the little tree was lighted to the "ohs" and "ahs" of the crowd.

Without a doubt, similar ceremonies were re-enacted across the nation that very same year and season. Unquestionably, our small program might have easily been overshadowed by much larger demonstrations hailing in the Christmas season. Yet it cannot be denied that as far as those villagers who bravely faced the elements that cold December evening, our little tree once lighted was just as magnanimous as any ceremony of its kind.

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ABOUT OUR XMAS ISSUE

Because of the Christmas holiday falling on Wednesday, we will be publishing our Christmas issue on Saturday, December 21st. Please note that our news and advertising deadline is Thursday, December 19th, at noontime. Please be sure to follow this deadline so we can better serve you in our Annual Christmas Edition.



FIRST CHRISTMAS TREE - From Page 1...

Perhaps, it was Reverend Dunn who passed a brief comment on the fact that Feeding Hills was the site of the first public Christmas tree in the United States. In any event the comment was probably stated that evening and for many years, Dick and I were haunted by the desire to establish some certainty of the matter. Finally, and by complete chance, the truth was accidentally revealed during a research project at the main branch of the Springfield Library.

Local Reporter Sets The Record Straight

During the researching of material on the Seth Liswell story, (Agawam's Civil War prisoner who died at Andersonville Prison) we were examining microfilm copies of the *Springfield Newspapers* and just by chance, we came across another article by Natalie Cooper of the Republican staff. The article entitled "First Public Christmas Tree Site Is Debated" appeared in the December 4th, 1966 edition of the *Republican*.

You can only imagine our delightful surprise at having chanced upon a question that had bothered us for so many years! But here it was in black and white.

We realized then and there that this subject must become our Christmas story for Agawam's own *Advertiser News*.

According to the article in the Springfield paper, the credit must be first given to a Yale publication (date and title unknown). Apparently the article stated: "The Christmas tree was introduced in the United States by German immigrants, and the first public tree was set up at Westfield, Massachusetts, by a German in 1860." Now the fact of the matter is that the "distinction was short-lived."

As the *Republican* article disclosed, "The German immigrant mentioned in connection with the tree is believed to have been John Buschmann, a native of Bremen, Germany, who came to Westfield in 1857."

Further evidence revealed the fact that prior to his move to the Whip City, Buschmann had originally lived in Feeding Hills where he maintained a large-scale cigar making business.

According to the town history by Edith LaFrancis, there had been a number of local cigar makers and businesses in the Feeding Hills/Agawam area during the mid-19th century. In at least a few cases, these the local tobacco growers eventually moved to Westfield during the 1850's. Apparently, John Buschmann was among their number.

But of further importance is the fact that the *Republican* related that the Yale story had misjudged the true location of the first public Christmas tree site as being Westfield rather than the village of Feeding Hills.

Accordingly, the correction was made via the local newspaper article: "Seven days after the announcement was reprinted locally, it was revealed the honor belonged to Feeding Hills. Buschmann and other German immigrants lived in Feeding Hills where they erected the first public Christmas tree sometime between 1853 and 1857."

Site Of The First Public Tree

If such be the case, and all evidence seems to substantiate the matter, then Feeding Hills is truly the site of the first public Christmas tree in the nation. And in this we, the townspeople, may properly take pride in another first for the United States!

It matters not that our village could be in contention with said distinction with our sister township. Regardless to whom the honor belongs, we should take pride in the fact that together we share in a seasonal tradition that is filled with Hope and Joy the world over, just as the history of Westfield and Agawam/Feeding Hills are bound together in their historic past.

We would like to take this opportunity to express our sincere appreciation to all our readers who have taken the time from their busy lives to show their appreciation for our articles. During this joyful season of Hanukkah and Christmas, we must say that hopefully, the bright lights of the season will continue to shine on the evergreen of their Christmas tree.

In the words of Charles Dickens' Tiny Tim... "God Bless Each And Everyone." If we might add a phrase, "God Bless These United States of America! Peace!"

For all the local news, townsfolk turn our pages 52 weeks a year. **Advertiser News**

Representative Walsh Sets Agawam Office Hours

State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) announced today that his Agawam office hours for the month of December will be held on Saturday, December 21st, from 9:00 to 11:00 am. They will be held at the Agawam Public Library Community Room.

If anyone finds these hours inconvenient and wishes to meet with Walsh, please contact him, 786-4545.

Obituaries**Mary G. Doyle**

Agawam: Mary G. Doyle, 97, of 61 Cooper Street, a retired employee of the former Uniroyal Company, Chicopee, died Tuesday, December 10th, in a local nursing home. She worked for the company more than 45 years, retiring in 1953. A native and former resident of Chicopee, she lived in Agawam 13 years. She was active in the Rosary Sodality of St. Patrick's Church, Chicopee. She leaves two cousins, Lillian A. and Jane P. Drennan, both of Chicopee. The funeral was Thursday morning at Corridon Funeral Home and in St. Patrick's Church with burial in the parish cemetery, all in Chicopee. Donations may be made to the Covenant House, P.O. Box 731, Times Square Station, New York, NY 10109, or the Catholic Medical Mission Board, 10 West 17th Street, New York, New York 10011.

Barbara E. Suffriti

Agawam: Barbara E. (Rourke) Suffriti, 53, of 635 Springfield Street in the Feeding Hills section, a clerical worker at the Massachusetts Mutual Life Insurance Company, died Tuesday, December 10th, in Mercy Hospital, Springfield, after a short illness. Born in Chicopee, she was graduated in 1950 from West Springfield High School and had lived in Feeding Hills 34 years. She was a communicant of St. Anthony's Church. She leaves her husband, Everett D. Suffriti; four sons, David J. of White Bluff, Tennessee, Paul V. of West Springfield, Thomas D. of Agawam and Gary E. of Feeding Hills; a daughter, Ann-Marie Perry of Feeding Hills; four sisters, Dorothy Steiner of Ludlow, Gertrude Brown of Springfield, Patricia Land of Indiana and Jean Scafuri of Feeding Hills; and ten grandchildren. The funeral was Friday morning at Curran-Jones Funeral Home and in the church with burial in Springfield Street Cemetery.

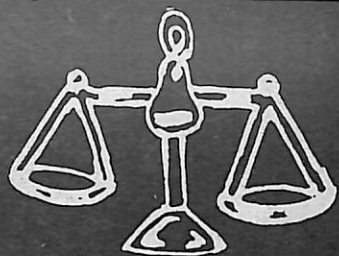
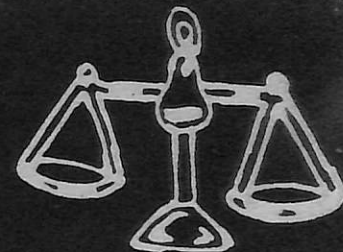
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Dorothy B. Brown
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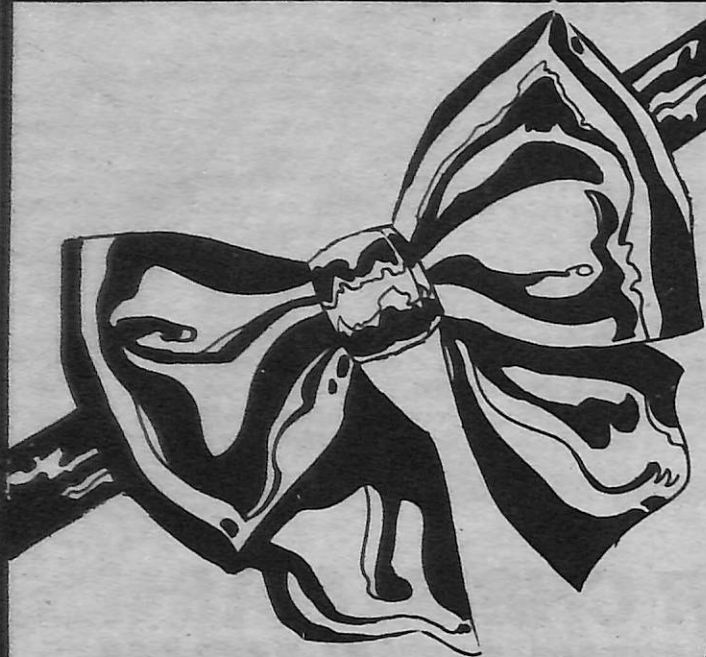
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Please note that our Annual Christmas Edition will be published on Saturday, December 21st. Our deadline for this edition is Thursday, December 19th, at noontime. Please be prompt so we can serve you to the best of our ability.

Ruth Bitzas Announces Veterans Pension Benefits

Veterans and survivors who have elected to receive "improved" pension benefits from the Veterans Administration will get a 3.1 percent cost-of-living increase effective December 1st, 1985, payable beginning with January 1986 checks. Recipients of protected ("old plan") pensions are not affected, said Ruth Bitzas, veteran agent for the town of Agawam.

The 3.1 percent increase will also apply to parents of deceased veterans eligible for Dependency and Indemnity Compensation (DIC) benefits, she said.

VA Administrator Harry N. Walters said the VA is required by law to increase "improved" pension and parents' DIC payments by the same percentage, and effective the same date, as increases in Social Security benefits. Income limitations for all pension programs and the DIC parents' benefit program increase simultaneously by the same percentage.

While pensions for veterans and survivors under the "old" plan remain fixed and payable at the rates in effect in 1978, the rates are protected against termination that would otherwise result from cost-of-living increases in income from Social Security.

"Old" plan recipients may request transfer to the "improved" plan at any time. The VA will carefully review each application to advise applicants whether payment rates under the "improved" plan would exceed the amounts under the "old" plan. The pensioner can then choose the most advantageous payment based on personal preference.

VA pensions are paid to wartime veterans totally and permanently disabled from circumstances unrelated to their military service, and to needy survivors of war-time veterans.

Unlike compensation paid to those disabled because of military service, pensions are affected by income from other sources.

The forthcoming adjustments are based on the rise in Consumer Price Index during the one-year period ending September 30th, 1985.

More than 414,000 veterans, 247,000 spouses, 18,000 children, and 41,000 parents will receive the increase.

ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION REPORTS

During the first week of October, income questionnaires (eligibility verification reports) were sent out to 18,000 recipients of non service-connected protected pensions, and parents dependency and indemnity compensation.

"It is important that these reports be sent into the VA Regional Office for processing," said Mrs. Bitzas. "If we do not receive the reports, payments will terminate effective January 1st, 1986." Please do not wait until the end of the year to send the reports in. Other types of pension recipients, i.e., improved pension will be sent an income questionnaire (eligibility verification report) sometime during the next ten months.

Melconian Says Group Auto Bill Passes

State Senator Linda J. Melconian (D-Springfield) today announced that a group auto bill was passed in the Senate. The bill, co-sponsored by Senator John Houston (D-Worcester) and Senator Melconian, authorizes the commissioner of insurance to establish an experimental project implementing the concept of group auto insurance.

Senator Melconian, Senate chairwoman of the legislature's Insurance Committee, said, "Auto insurance in the Commonwealth is so tightly regulated by the state, that very little innovation occurs within the system. The current system prevents competition, guarantees a set price that will yield healthy profits for insurance companies, and precludes the industry from experimentation with new products that potentially could result in reduced rates for auto consumers."

She added, "Given these conditions, our task was to develop a legislative initiative which would create in a constructive way more flexibility in the system."

"This bill accomplishes that objective by authorizing the insurance commissioner to establish, within the state, a demonstration pilot project for group auto insurance. This project will not only test the concepts of group auto insurance, but will also allow for the introduction and experimentation of new products which, when applied to group marketing, should result in premium savings for auto insurance policy holders," she said.

"Group auto insurance is potentially beneficial to Western Massachusetts citizens," said Senator Melconian. "The group, through an employer-based association, union, or a governmental employees unit, would be able to control its own insurance costs based on

experience of the group rather than through the territorial structure as currently established by the insurance commissioner.

"Group insurance has been found to be effective and cost-saving in both the life and health areas. Evidence suggests, through reduction of administrative costs, that similar premium dollar savings would be realized in the group auto insurance area," she said.

"One of my highest priorities as Senate Chairwoman of the Insurance Committee is to try to reduce auto rates for consumers in the Commonwealth. I firmly believe that this group auto demonstration project will once and for all determine the cost effectiveness of group auto insurance and thereby pave the way for increased application and utilization by auto consumers," said Senator Melconian.

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Monday, December 16th
Town Council Meeting
Public Library
8:00 P.M.

Thursday, December 19th
Board of Appeals Meeting
Town Hall Annex
7:30 P.M.

Friday, December 20th
Last Day Of School
Christmas Vacation

Wednesday, December 25th
Town Hall Closed
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Thursday, December 26th
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AGAWAM JUNIOR WOMEN'S CLUB
President Gail Pirnie, this year's chairwoman of the club's holiday Clearinghouse, looks through several boxes of items donated to local families in need at her Feeding Hills home. Advertiser

News photo by Jack Devine.

Agawam Jaycees Slate First Orientation Night Jan. 15th

The Agawam Jaycees will be holding an Orientation Night, Wednesday, January 15th, at 8:00 p.m., at the Italian Sporting Club, Cooper Street, Agawam. The orientation is part of U.S. National Jaycee Week.

The intent of the Agawam Jaycees orientation is to make young people of Agawam aware of the Jaycees as a civic organization trying to make the community a better place to live.

The Jaycees are a leadership training organization for young adults beginning at age 18. The Jaycees get involved with many community involvement projects.

The Agawam Jaycees have helped with the Harmon Smith Scholarship Fund, and held a fundraising golf and racquetball tournament.

The evening will include sports films, refreshments, and a brief explanation of the Agawam Jaycees. For further information, call Craig Plante, 789-1161, or John Calabrese, 786-8641.

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph De Palo, Sr.
Mr. & Mrs. John E. Stokowski, Sr.
Mr. John E. Stokowski, Jr.
Miss Elisa Ann Stokowski

We would like to extend an invitation to all our relatives, friends and neighbors to come and see our annual Christmas display at 15 Meadow Street, Agawam which is dedicated in loving memory to our son, brother and uncle

JOSEPH DE PALO, JR.

who passed away May 9, 1985.

To each and every one of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year.

Junior Women's Club Continues 12-Year Clearinghouse Project

by Laura B. Dugan
Advertiser News Feature Writer

Agawam Clearing House, for the past 12 years a function of the Agawam Junior Women's Club, evolved from an Agawam Public Health Nurses' project which started back in 1957.

The purpose is to bring some holiday cheer as well as food to the homes of Agawam's most needy residents. This year, Gail Pirnie of Robin Ridge Road, club president, is chief coordinator for the Clearing House.

The Agawam Junior Women's Club, said Mrs. Pirnie, is a close-knit, friendly group of about 30 young women. They undertake the assembling and distribution of food baskets at Thanksgiving and at Christmas.

Each basket contains a complete meal for the family with turkey and all the traditional "fixin's". There will be 15 Christmas baskets delivered this year.

Donations From Many Sources

The canned food items, which are donated, come from many sources. For instance, the day before Thanksgiving, which is a half-holiday for the school children, Agawam Twin Cinemas runs a special show with canned goods used as admission tickets to benefit the Clearing House. Area churches and civic groups also collect for the Clearing House.

As fundraisers, the Junior Women sponsored a Junior Bake-Off and a Christmas Cookie and Homebaked Bread Exchange. In addition to the donations of canned goods, cash donations are gratefully received since the turkeys and fresh produce are purchased.

The Clearing House operation is very well organized. The Clearing House concept is to eliminate duplication of efforts in assistance to needy families and also to try to be sure that no one is overlooked.

All assistance is on the basis of present need. A sudden or severe illness, or a temporary loss of employment, might be the criteria making a particular family eligible for a holiday basket.

For Christmas, information as to sizes, ages, and sex of the children is supplied by the coordinator club members. Each member makes herself responsible for providing a wrapped package (or packages) for one of the families. All records and names are confidential with the coordinator. Families are designated as "A", "B", "C", etc.

Ready To Function Anytime

While Thanksgiving and Christmas are the two principal Clearing House projects, the club stands ready to function at any time of the year in an emergency situation. They are a very dedicated group of women who truly enjoy giving of themselves and feel great pride in this community service.

The Juniors celebrated their Annual Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 17th.



JANET M. SARAT

Janet M. Sarat Engaged To Mr. John M. Mitchell

Mr. & Mrs. John Sarat Sr. of 185 Cooper Street, announce the engagement of their daughter, Janet Marie Sarat of Hermosa Beach, California, to John Michael Mitchell of Los Angeles, California.

The prospective bridegroom is the son of Howard Mitchell of Pocatello, Idaho, and Barbara Mitchell of Syracuse, New York.

A May 24th wedding is planned.

The bride-elect was graduated from Agawam High School. She received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Albertus Magnus College, New Haven, Connecticut, and a master's degree in social work from Syracuse (New York) University. She is employed as a social worker for Los Angeles County Child Abuse Unit.

Her fiancé was graduated from Bellefontaine I.H.M. Seminary, Lenox. He received a bachelor's degree in history and human services from Northeastern Illinois University and a master's degree in public administration and social work from Syracuse (New York) University.

He is employed as a social worker for Los Angeles County Department of Adoptions.

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Christmas Trees Abundant In Feeding Hills Center



TARYN HANSON picks out a Christmas tree at Cincotta Farms, just below Feeding Hills Center on Springfield Street. The operation is run each year by J.B. Lynch and South West Street resident Billy Spear. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



J.B. LYNCH (left) AND **FEEDING HILLS' BILLY SPEAR** are quite proud of the many beautiful Christmas trees they haul into Cincotta Farms from the north country every year. The duo sell several thousand trees at Cincotta Farms. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

For glossy copies of photos in this edition, please call Jack Devine at his home, 789-0053. If Jack is out, please leave him a message!

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Saturday, December 21st
Christmas Story Hour
Agawam Public Library
10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 24th
Pre-Schoolers Celebration
Sacred Heart Church
4:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 28th
Feature Film
"The Love Bug"
Public Library
2:30 p.m.

January 15th
Orientation Night
Agawam Jaycees
Italian Sporting Club
8:00 p.m.

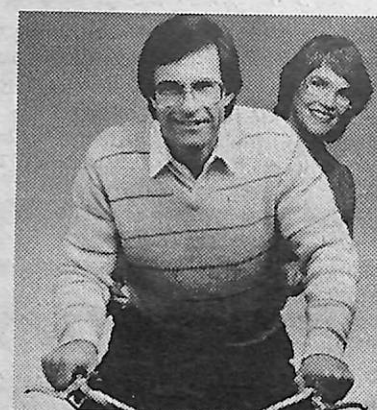


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Christmas Eating Can Be For Weight Watcher

Christmas is almost upon us and it's time to start planning special holiday menus for dinner parties with family and friends.

Yet for thousands of people trying to control their weight, Christmas can mean extra pounds with its non-stop round of socializing and feasting.

"If, however, you plan your meals carefully and eat sensibly, you can enjoy wonderful Christmas recipes including eggnog mousse, herbed-mustard roast beef, and fennel casserole without feeling the guilt associated with eating too much or too poorly," says Ron Labell, head of Weight Watchers in Connecticut, Western Massachusetts, and the Mid-Hudson Valley of New York.

Coated with a tangy mixture of Dijon mustard, crushed green peppercorns, parsley and thyme leaves, the herbed-mustard roast beef may be served equally well buffet style or at a sit-down dinner.

"Christmas is a social time. By enjoying the holiday suggestions you can enjoy every minute of it without feeling guilty. You can even have the occasional wine spritzer if you plan your caloric intake according to the Weight Watchers Quick Start Program," Labell concluded.

Herbed—Mustard Roast Beef

Yields about 3 pounds roast beef. Each 5-ounce serving provides: 5 Protein Exchanges.

- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon Dijon-style mustard
- 1½ teaspoons green peppercorns, rinsed and crushed
- 1 teaspoon chopped fresh parsley
- ½ teaspoon each thyme leaves and salt
- 1 rolled boneless rib roast (4½ to 5 pounds)

Preheat oven to 225°F. In small bowl, mix together mustard, peppercorns, parsley, thyme and salt. Coat beef with mustard mixture. Place on rack in shallow roasting pan and insert meat thermometer in center of roast until thermometer registers 140°F (about 1½ hours) for rare; 160°F (about 2 hours) for medium or 170°F (about 2½ hours) for well done.

If meat is browning too quickly, cover loosely with tent of foil if desired to make slicing easier. Let roast set for 15 to 20 minutes after removing from oven. (Since meat will continue to cook while setting, remove from oven when thermometer registers 5° to 10° lower than desired doneness). Slice and weigh portions. Serve 5 ounces of roast beef per portion.

Note: Store leftovers in weighted portions in refrigerator or freezer for future use. Use in salads, stir-fried dishes, and sandwiches.

Eggnog Mousse

Makes 4 servings, each providing: 1 Milk Exchange; 45 calories Optional Exchange.

- 1 teaspoon unflavored gelatin
- 2 cups skim milk, divided
- 2 envelopes (two 4-ounce servings each) reduced-calorie custard mix
- 1 teaspoon each brandy and rum extracts
- 2 egg whites (from large eggs)
- Dash salt

- 1 tablespoon plus 1 teaspoon granulated sugar
- ¼ cup thawed frozen dairy whipped topping
- Ground nutmeg

In small bowl sprinkle gelatin over 2 tablespoons skim milk. Let stand a few minutes to soften. In 1-quart saucepan heat remaining milk to a simmer; stir in gelatin mixture and custard mix and cook, stirring constantly, until custard and gelatin are dissolved, about 2 minutes. Stir in extracts and pour into medium bowl; refrigerate, stirring occasionally until mixture begins to set, 30 to 45 minutes.

In mixing bowl, using electric mixer on high speed, beat egg whites with salt until soft peaks form. Gradually beat in sugar, beating until whites are stiff but not dry. Carefully fold whites into custard mixture. Spoon custard into four sherbet glasses. Cover and refrigerate until chilled, about 2 hours. To serve, top each portion with 1 tablespoon whipped topping and dash nutmeg.

Have A Merry & Fire Safe Christmas From The Agawam Fire Department

by Rusty Jenks
Agawam Fire Chief

Each year thousands suffer injury, burns and death due to holiday decorations and carelessness. Trees, lights, ornaments and fireplaces produce extra hazards in our homes at a time when the hectic season may distract us from fire safety. Enjoy the holiday. The Agawam Fire Department offers the following advice for a happy holiday.

If you buy a natural, cut tree, check for freshness. Shedding needles are a sign of a dry tree and a serious hazard. Fresh needles won't break when bent. Once the tree is home, keep it outside until you can decorate it. Cut off the base, one to two inches, and place it in a stable holder. Keep the holder filled with water and keep the tree away from heat.

Place your tree away from heaters and out of the exit ways. Check all lighting for safety. Look for frayed or broken areas where wires are exposed. Damaged sets should be thrown out. Do not chance repairing. Keep bulbs away from curtains and flammable materials

and do not use candles anywhere on the tree.

No more than three sets of lights should be on an extension cord. Overloading cords can start a fire. Keep connections away from the water base and use Underwriters Laboratory (UL) listed cords of the correct size.

Use weatherproof OUTDOOR lights and cords for outdoors. These sets are not for prolonged exposure, so take them down as soon as the season is over.

Unplug all lights and blow out all candles before leaving the house or going to sleep. Do not use real candles in the windows; use electric ones listed by UL. Keep all ornaments, candles and cords away from children and pets.

Dry trees can burn like a torch and spread the fire. Remove them as soon as large amounts of needles fall.

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Consider Financial Planning When Considering Divorce Part I

Divorce is a major statistic in today's world. Depending on the source of research, as many as two out of every four marriages end in divorce.

In light of these unsettling statistics, many financial planners have realized a need for divorce planning, alongside the standard retirement, education, estate, and emergency fund subjects. While the term "divorce planning" appears almost paradoxical, it is a viable process to consider when dealing with divorce.

Division Of Property

When a couple faces divorce, the division of property issue ranks second only to child custody. And, unfortunately, splitting the resources right down the middle is usually not adequate.

Many times irrational behavior will precede the divorce — a partner may incur debts to deplete assets or hide cash in secret accounts; overuse credit cards; wait to find a job; or even open separate accounts. All in all, a potentially "messy" divorce, vibrating with hostility, can come of this.

While divorce is generally thought to be a legal matter, many attorneys who are not financial experts are turning to other professionals in this area.

It's particularly beneficial when a financial planner is called in to consider financial alternatives that will maximize the divorcing couple's financial resources.

Maximizing while minimizing becomes the goal: maximizing resources and minimizing the tax bite. In reality, two separate, successful financial systems must be derived from one. And each system must continue to help meet the personal goals of its respective owner.

Generally, couples will be immediately concerned with their short-term needs, expressing individual points of view. But there are long-term decisions requiring considerable attention.

For example, who gets the family home? Usually the wife wants to retain possession. Long term, though, the decision may pose a possible burden that may require action in the future. She may need to sell the home and face possible capital gains taxes, selling costs, and need to find another home of equal or greater value.

In order to avoid these headaches, the couple may decide to retain common ownership of the home and sell it as tenants in common. The amount can then be divided between the husband and wife and reinvested in order to avoid capital gains taxes. In essence, they meet the "goal" — maximizing while minimizing.

Differing Tax Structures

The differing tax structures that pertain to alimony and child support also may require special attention. Depending on the combined state and federal tax brackets involved, how the support payments are determined can have a significant impact on each individual's tax position.

One possible technique is to use investments such as certain types of life insurance, annuities, and unit investment trusts to make long-term alimony payments. An investment that produces a monthly income has one particular advantage: monthly payments are made from an objective source, reducing contact between former spouses and assuring the receiving spouse of an uninterrupted series of payments.

The pension plan of one of the spouses is often another critical area of concern. Under the Retirement Equity Act of 1984, pension plan administrators may recognize a divorced spouse's right to all or a portion of a participant's plan benefits pursuant to a Qualified Domestic Relations Order (QDRO).

A QDRO cannot alter the amount or form of benefits provided by the plan, but the plan administrator can now divide a participant's interest in a qualified pension plan to set aside a portion for the divorced spouse. If lump sum distributions are permitted under the plan, the amount can be rolled over into an Individual Retirement Account (IRA) by the former spouse, minimizing immediate tax consequences.

Obviously, establishing separate financial plans by dividing a couple's assets becomes complicated. It becomes even more difficult when differing state laws enter the picture.

At this point, it's often recommended that divorcing couples go beyond hiring an attorney to see them through the process and consider the assistance an ac-

countant, a financial planner, a stock broker, an insurance representative, and a banker may present. (Often, several roles may be fulfilled by one person.)

By having a financial planner involved in the process, the couple and their attorneys will be able to see the impact of the proposed settlement on both parties.

Divorce is an emotionally stressful time, and it's important that each party have consultants who will strive to reach agreements in ways most beneficial to their respective clients.

Often, this may mean finding new professionals who have not established an allegiance to the two as a couple. If that is the case, interview several professionals to find a comfortable match.

Particular areas to inquire about include: the degree of experience in the area of divorce planning; the ability to analyze expenses and income; the tax ramifications of various support arrangements and property division methods — past, current and projected; and support services and, of course, costs.

For a FREE 30-minute personal financial consultation or for a free packet of financial planning information, contact Charlie Alvanos at B: 781-2250 or at H: 789-0957, or write to 39 High Meadow Road, Feeding Hills, MA 01030.

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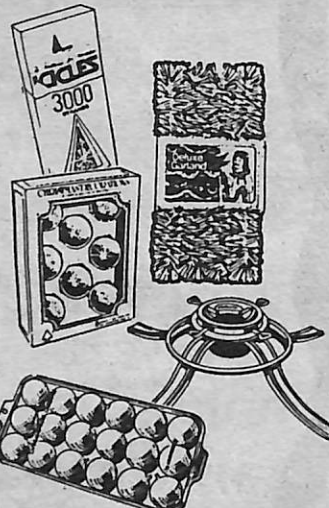


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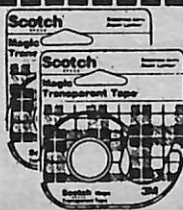


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Big Y Author's Day



CHILDREN'S AUTHOR Jane Yolen (right) appeared at Agawam Big Y Supermarket on Saturday, December 14th. Pictured with Mrs. Yolen is elf Sonja Turner and Joanne Ziemba, director of customer relations for Big Y. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Nominations Be Taken For Woman Of Year

Nominations for the "Woman of the Year" Award are now being accepted at the Greater Springfield Chamber of Commerce. Forms are available by contacting the Chamber office. Deadline for submission is January 15th.

Now in its 23rd year, the award is presented annually by the Chamber's Women's Division to a woman in Greater Springfield who has given outstanding leadership or service to the community. She may be selected for services rendered over a lifetime or for more recent achievements.

Nominees do not have to be chamber members, and nominations may be made to anyone from the community, according to Women's Division committee co-chairman Dorothy J. Hines.

Quality in selection has placed the "Woman of the Year" award in the highest regard by citizens of the area since its inception in 1954 and has made it one of the top citations to be earned locally.

Past recipients have included: Sister Mary Peter (1985); June M. Haskins (1984); Betsy Sheehan Taylor (1983); and Virginia D. Govoni (1982).

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Who Lives There? (ages 4 to 6) meets January 11th, 18th, 25th, and February 1st. Learn where different animals live and why by exploring the museum exhibit halls and investigating mounted animals and special activities. Course fee is \$16.

The World of Dinosaurs (ages 4 to 6) meets March 1st, 8th, 15th, and 22nd. Discover the fact and fiction about dinosaurs with games, crafts, stories, and songs. Fee is \$16.

Everybody's Body (ages 4 to 6) meets on February 19th, 20th, and 21st during school vacation week. Why are skeletons, skin and the senses important? Children will listen to their heart beat, study x-rays, investigate bones and muscles, and examine a life-sized skeleton and transparent woman to learn what makes them tick. Fee is \$12.

The Reign of the Dinosaurs (ages 7 to 9) meets January 11th, 18th, 25th, and February 1st. Travel back in time to the days of the dinosaurs and explore fossils, footprints, and models to learn more about the fascinating creatures who ruled the earth for 140 million years. Fee is \$16.

Comparing Backboned Creatures (ages 7 to 9) meets February 22nd, March 1st, 8th, and 15th. How does an elephant's heart compare to a human one? Why do some animals have gills and some have lungs? How acute are different animals' senses? This activity-oriented course will use models, mounted animals, and visuals to compare a variety of interesting creatures. Fee is \$16.

Animal Myths, Legends, & Misconceptions (ages 7 to 9) meets February 19th, 20th, and 21st during school vacation week. Do unicorns really exist? Are bats blind? Do porcupines throw their quills? Learn the answers to these and many other mysteries of the animal world. Course fee is \$12.

Astronomy: With a Special Look at Comets (ages 10 to 13) meets January 11th, 18th, 25th, and February 1st. Investigate planets, stars, galaxies, meteoroids, and especially Halley's Comet in the museum's planetarium. Fee is \$16.

The Springfield Science Museum is located on the Quadrangle at the corner of State and Chestnut Streets in downtown Springfield. Enrollment for all courses is limited and advance registration is required. For information and to register, please call the museum, 733-1194, extension 323.

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THE MITTEN TREE at the Agawam Congregational Church is displayed by Carolyn Mosher. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AMIE PANIK AND RONNIE OGULEWICZ put their gifts under the Christmas tree at the Feeding Hills Congregational Church. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Town Churches List Many Special Holiday Services

by Laura B. Dugan
Advertiser News Feature Writer

The joyous Advent Season is being celebrated in Agawam's churches, with doors open wide to receive members and friends. **AGAWAM BAPTIST CHURCH**, Main Street, has been celebrating the Sundays in Advent with special music and with the lighting of the Advent candles.

The candle has been lit each Sunday by a recently baptized young person who speaks about what the ceremony means to him. On December 15th, there was a special family workshop and a party for the children

and young people. On Christmas Eve at 7:30 p.m., there will be a Candlelight Service. "Franz' Gift of Christmas" will be narrated by the pastor and there will be special music. The service will close with the worshipers, each with a lighted candle, forming a continuous circle about the sanctuary.

BETHANY ASSEMBLY OF GOD, Main Street, presented its Annual "Singing Christmas Tree" on the 13th, 14th, and 15th of December. On December 22nd at 7:00 p.m., the Youth Choir will present a musical,

"Home For Christmas." On December 31st, New Year's Eve, from 9:30 to midnight, there will be a family service presenting Phil Emloe, renowned concert and gospel singer in a musical program.

AGAWAM CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, Main Street, celebrates the Advent Season by lighting a candle each Sunday. The first three Sundays in Advent the children have participated in the worship service by setting up a creche in the sanctuary.

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On December 8th, there was an afternoon family workshop making wreaths and enjoying a soup and sandwich supper.

After supper, a group of members and young people went carolling to shut-in members nearby. On December 15th, the choir presented the Annual Christmas Cantata. A "Mitten Tree" in the narthex has been decorated with mittens, hats, and scarves, to be given to the Greater Springfield Council of Churches.

On December 22nd, the Junior Pilgrim Fellowship will present a living creche during the worship service. The sanctuary will be especially decorated with poinsettias given in memory of loved ones and also loaned for the service by parishioners. On Christmas Eve, there will be two services: a family service at 6:30 p.m., at 11:00 p.m., the traditional Candlelight Service.

ST. JOHN'S, Main Street. On Tuesday, December 24th, the church will celebrate Christmas with Masses at 4:00, 5:15, 6:30 and at 11:00 p.m. The Midnight Mass will include special music. On Christmas Day, there will be a Mass at 8:00, 9:15, 10:30, and 11:15 a.m.

ST. ANTHONY'S OF PADUA, Bridge Street, North Agawam. On Christmas Eve, there will be a Vigil Mass at 5:00 p.m. At 12:00 a.m., there will be a Midnight Mass with special music by the Senior Choir. On Christmas Day there will be a mass at 9:00 a.m., with special music by the Junior Choir. At 11:00 a.m., there will be a Christmas Mass.

ST. THERESA OF INFANT JESUS, Bridge Street, North Agawam. On December 24th at 4:30 p.m., the children will take part in the service and there will be congregational singing. At 12:00 a.m., there will be a Midnight Mass with special Christmas music by the Senior Choir. On Christmas Day, there will be a Mass at 9:00 and at 11:00 a.m., and there will be carol singing by the congregation at each service.

AGAWAM UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, Mill Street, Agawam, celebrates Advent with different families lighting the Advent candles. Each Sunday in Advent, a junior high or high school young person does an imaginary reading about the trip to Bethlehem. Christmas anthems will be sung on December 22nd.

Parishioners have decorated a "Mitten Tree" and have donated non-perishable foods for the Shopping Cart, which will be given to Open Pantry.

On December 24th, at 7:00 p.m., a family worship service will be held. At midnight, there will be a service of Carols, Communion, and Candlelighting, the culmination of the month-long Advent celebration.

ST. DAVID'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, Springfield

Street, Feeding Hills, will have two services on December 22nd. At 8:00 a.m., the Holy Eucharist with Jesus' Birthday Party, the Children's Christmas Pageant, and the Greening of the Church.

On December 24th, Christmas Eve, at 5:00 p.m., will be Children's and Family Eucharist with music by the Junior Choir. At 10:40 p.m., there will be a choral prelude for the 11:00 p.m., Midnight Eucharist Candlelight Service.

On December 25th, Christmas Day, at 10:00 a.m., there will be the service of Holy Eucharist with hymns.

SACRED HEART CHURCH, Springfield Street, Feeding Hills, will celebrate Christmas with Mass on Tuesday, December 24th, at 4:00 and 6:00 p.m., and at midnight. The 4:00 p.m. Mass will include music by the Children's Choir and a Pageant by the pre-school children. At the Midnight Mass, there will be special music. On Christmas Day, Mass will be celebrated at 7:30, 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, North Westfield Street, is celebrating the Advent Season with different families participating each Sunday in the lighting of the Advent Candles. On December 22nd, the worship service will include a dedication for several new gifts in memory of loved ones, and new members will be received into the church fellowship.

On Christmas Eve, at 11:00 p.m., there will be a Candlelight Service with Holy Communion and all are welcome. The congregation will join in singing carols and the Diaconate will conduct the Candlelight Service with the lighting of personal candles.

On December 29th, the sermon will be "Christmas Is A Lingering Dream" at the regular worship service.

FEEDING HILLS BAPTIST CHURCH, South Westfield Street, will have a special service on Christmas Eve from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m., celebrating the Lord's Supper. There will be carol singing by the congregation.

On December 31st, New Year's Eve, from 9:00 p.m. to midnight, there will be a special program. A family film will be shown from 9:00 to 10:00 p.m., followed by an hour of fellowship. From 11:00 p.m. to midnight, there will be a worship service, ending at midnight with the singing of Auld Lang Syne.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH, South Westfield Street, Feeding Hills, will celebrate the Family Festival of Christ on Sunday, December 22nd, at the regular worship service. Following the service, there will be a party for the children. On Christmas Eve at 11:30 p.m., there will be carol singing and a Candlelighting Service in the sanctuary.

The pastors unite in welcoming everyone to join them in celebrating this most Joyous Season.

Walsh Calls New Bill Victory For Workers

Newly-signed legislation reforming and modernizing the Commonwealth's 75 year-old Workers Compensation program was described today by State Representative Michael P. Walsh (D-Agawam) as "a common sense victory for disabled workers."

Walsh said the new statute "will speed the payment of just claims; bring out-of-date benefits up to date; and help injured workers retrain for reentry into the job market."

The Agawam Democrat said the measure contains "disincentives" to the excessive litigation which often tied up claims for years, and provides for streamlined administrative handling of disability claims and arbitration procedures.

"This legislation was at the top of my personal agenda," Walsh said. "And with the help of House Speaker George Keverian, Chairman Kenneth Lemanski (D-Chicopee) of the Joint Committee on Commerce and Labor, it was made a priority matter for the entire House."

"What we finally arrived at was a true piece of compromise legislation in the very best sense," Walsh said. "The new law represents the very best thinking of both labor and business who cooperated closely in the process."

"I believe all sides can be proud of this new Workers Compensation Act," Walsh said. "It is based on the concept of fairness and on the dignity and human worth of the working man and working woman."

Santa Claus Is Coming To Town

Santa will arrive by helicopter on Saturday, December 21st. He will land at Wade Park (off Franklin Street, which runs between Springfield and Mill Streets), at 1:00 p.m., and stay until 4:00 p.m.

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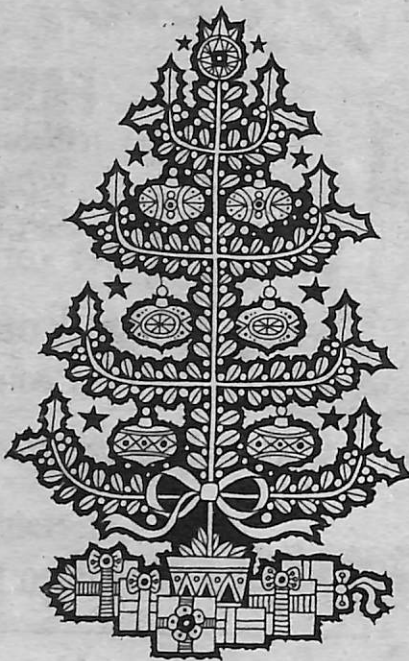
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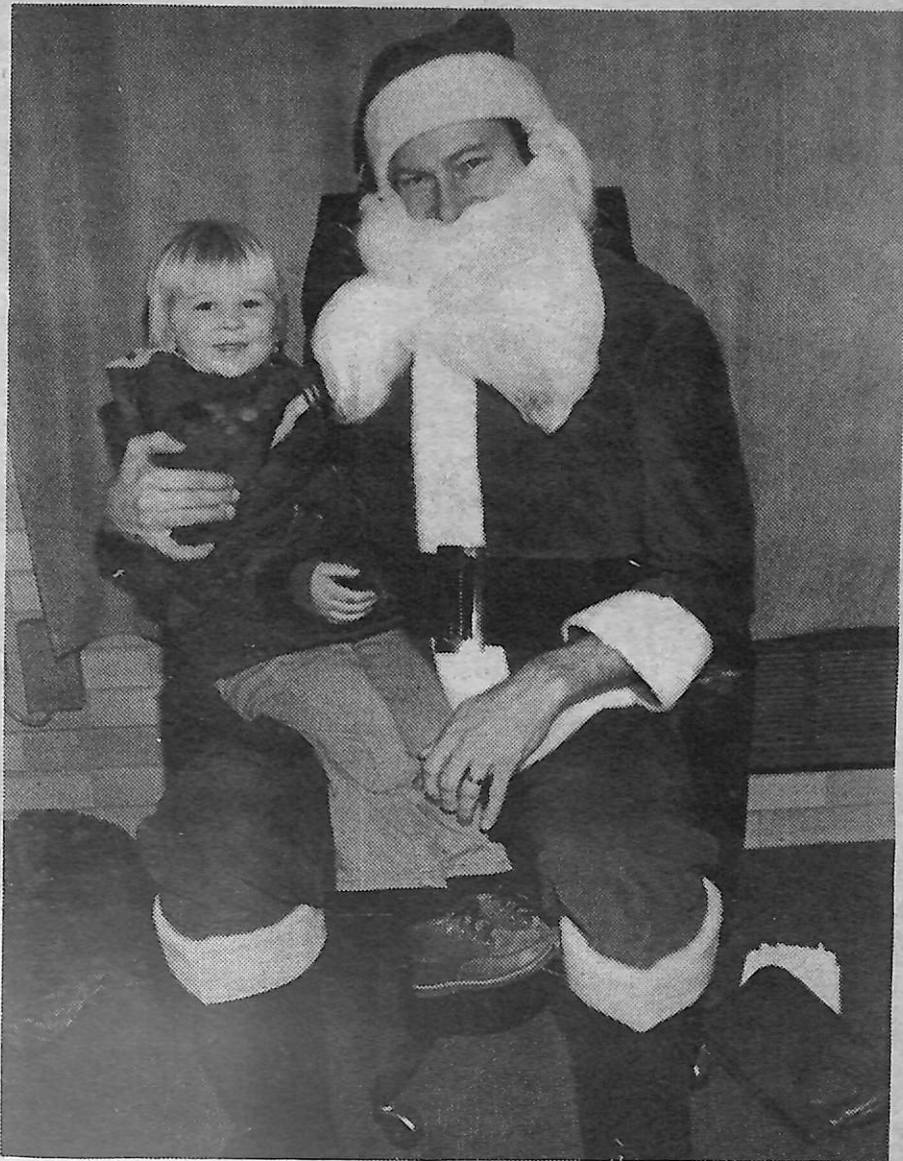


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"I REALLY LOVE SANTA CLAUS," says three year-old Nicholas Brown at the Annual Christmas Bazaar sponsored by Sacred Heart Church in Feeding Hills earlier this month. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



QUITE PROUD OF THESE HANDMADE CLOWNS-IN-A-CHAIR are Mary Amellin and Rose Moccia, at the Sacred Heart Christmas Bazaar. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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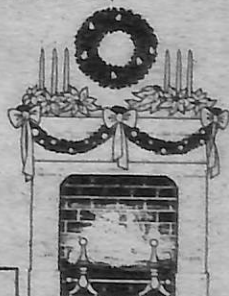
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News, Activities From Ag. Senior Center

Holiday Closing - The Senior Center will close at noon on December 24th and remain closed through Christmas Day.

Postponed - The program featuring State Auditor John Finnegan scheduled for last Friday, December 13th, was postponed because of the snowstorm. Watch for a new date.

Thursday, January 9th, 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. Council on Aging will present a Hearing Awareness Program for Agawam seniors at the Senior Center. At 1:00 p.m. there will be a film titled "Overcoming Hearing Loss," followed by a question and answer period. A hearing aid specialist from Beltone of Springfield will conduct hearing screening tests,

using modern electronic equipment to determine whether a hearing aid will be of help.

If one has any trouble at all in hearing clearly, this opportunity should not be passed by. It is presented as a service to Agawam seniors.

Drama Club Meeting January 14th, 2:00 p.m. for all seniors interested in planning, writing, directing and staging productions. Mark your new 1986 calendar now for January 14th at 2:00 p.m., and be at the Senior Center to share your ideas. If you can't come, call Richard or Ginny, 786-0400, extension 242, and let them know of your interest.

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GOLDEN AGERS ENJOYING A TOAST at the club's Annual Christmas Party, Wednesday, December 11th, are, from left - Joseph & Mary Truschelli, and Connie & Frank Galli (he was chairman of the event). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Sergeant Housman Receives Army Achievement Medal

Sergeant Randall Housman, son of Ralph S. & Eleanor B. Housman of 943 Suffield Street, Agawam, has been decorated with the Army Achievement Medal at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

The Achievement Medal is awarded to soldiers for meritorious service, acts of courage, or other accomplishments.

Housman is an infantry team leader with the 313th Military Intelligence Battalion.

He is a 1981 graduate of Cathedral High School, Springfield.

Private Jeffrey Hastings Completes Helicopter Course

Army Private Jeffrey A. Hastings, son of Arthur E. and Barbara A. Hastings of 131 North West Street, Feeding Hills, has completed the OH-58 helicopter repair course at the U.S. Army Aviation School, Fort Rucker, Alabama.

Subjects personnel studied through academics and hands-on training included the OH-58 turbine engine, transmission, electrical systems, flight controls, main and tail rotor systems, and the aircraft's hydraulic system.

He is a 1985 graduate of Agawam High School.

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Occupancy Pacts For Buyers & Sellers

by Attorney Donna M. Brown
Feeding Hills Community Shops

Generally, when buying or selling a home, the transfer of ownership and possession occur simultaneously. However, for a variety of reasons, this is not always the case.

For example, a buyer may wish to take advantage of favorable mortgage interest rates which require transfer of ownership, or the seller doesn't want to move until the end of the school year, which requires seller to retain possession.

Objectives Attained

Each party's objective can be attained by adding a phrase to the Purchase and Sale Contract stating that seller will retain possession until some mutually agreed upon date, but that phrase alone does not protect either party from problems that may develop in the interim.

The best protection for both parties in this situation is to not only make additions to the Purchase and Sale Contract to evidence the parties' intentions, but to enter into an Occupancy Agreement at the closing.

The first item to be agreed upon is who will be paying utility charges. Generally, since the seller is using the utilities, the cost should be borne by the seller. But rather than leave any doubt, simply have it stated in the Sale Contract and Occupancy Agreement.

What about the buyer who is making mortgage payments, paying real estate taxes, and insuring the property in which the seller still lives? Without a provision for rent, the buyer is not entitled to any. It is not necessary to agree on an exact figure. Instead, the Purchase and Sale Contract should provide that the seller will pay rent based on the expenses to buyer noted above. When it is time to execute the Occupancy Agreement, an exact figure can be calculated and inserted into the agreement.

Another point to consider is what will happen if the seller does not move out on the scheduled date? Legally, the buyer and seller stand in a landlord/tenant relationship, therefore the buyer would have to go through the time consuming eviction process to remove the seller.

However, to provide the seller with some incentive to vacate on time, the Contract and Occupancy Agreement could provide that rent would double or triple in the event the seller stayed past the agreed-upon date.

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GOLDEN AGERS ALICE WAUGH, Madeline Della Guistina, and Rose Madru enjoy the club's Annual Christmas Party held on Wednesday, December 11th.

AdvertiserNews photo by Jack Devine.

SENIOR CENTER - From Page 15...

Friends of the Senior Center, Inc., is a private, non-profit organization made up of Agawam residents to help support activities at the Senior Center. Contributions and donations made will go directly to the benefit of the Senior Center programs.

If you are interested in becoming a member, contact Richard at the Center, 786-0400, extension 242. Individual and corporate memberships are available at \$3 and \$15, respectively.

Community Aide Ginny Hennessey is at the

Senior Center from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday mornings and on Tuesday afternoons from 12:30 to 4:30 p.m. Call Ginny for an appointment for advice or assistance if you have insurance, medical, or other problems. Phone 786-0400, extension 242.

Snow Days. It's time to think about winter storms. If the Agawam schools are closed, the Senior Center will be closed. Listen to the radio for announcements. There will be no meal service or van service if the center is closed, but the phones will be covered for emergency service.



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Donations Sought For Mrs. Claus' Kitchen

Mrs. Santa Claus, whose country kitchen is set up annually at the Mall at Center Square in Downtown Springfield, is once again asking her visitors to donate canned goods to fill her cupboards.

The canned goods will be distributed to the needy for the holidays by the Open Pantry.

Coordinated by Center Square, the Downtown Ministry, and Open Pantry, the canned goods collection began in 1984 with an initial donation from L'Amitie. Thousands of donations from school children and the general public were successful in filling Mrs. Claus' specially built pantry three times during the holiday season.

This year, on the Friday following the Giant Balloon Parade, the country kitchen where Mrs. Claus meets with children opened once again, and Mrs. Claus began her annual tradition of passing out chocolate chip cookies.

On Tuesday, December 3rd, her canned goods collection was officially kicked off with a ribbon-cutting ceremony at Center Square by Downtown Ministry, Center Square, and Open Pantry officials.

Mrs. Claus' Kitchen is a traditional part of Downtown's Annual Christmas Trail. The trail includes a train ride on Baystate West's mezzanine level, a visit with Santa Claus in Center Court of Baystate West, a trip to the Talking Christmas Tree on Steiger's third floor, and a visit with Mrs. Claus.

Mrs. Claus is being assisted this year by "elves" from the Exit 7 Players, a local theater group.

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Matters To Consider

There are several other matters to consider when transfer of ownership and possession do not occur simultaneously, but the most important protection for a buyer is an agreement between the parties to hold a portion of the seller's proceeds in escrow.

If the agreement is worded properly, the sums held can be used to ensure that the seller pays utilities and rent as agreed, and that the property is left in good condition.

Without mention in the Purchase and Sale Contract of this, however, the buyer has no right to require that such a clause be part of the parties' Occupancy Agreement.

It is always a good idea to have the Purchase and Sale Contract reviewed by an attorney prior to signing it, but it is especially important to do so if you find yourself in the position of a buyer who will not take possession upon conveyance of ownership or a seller who will retain possession.

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Bonnie and Dolores achieved this designation by participating in a series of training courses and production exercises taught through Century 21 professional development and office accreditation program Careertrak.

Congratulations Bonnie and Dolores!

Sacred Heart Preschoolers To Hold Family Xmas Eve

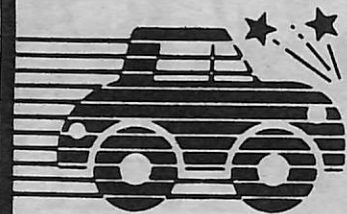
Sacred Heart Church preschoolers plan a family Christmas celebration which will be held on Christmas Eve at the 4:00 p.m. Mass. The children will dramatize the story of Christmas while the congregation will be led in song by the children's choir.

All families are invited to attend this joyful celebration of Jesus' birth.

The program is under the direction of Mary Ann Page, Bill & Laura St. George, and Alma Benton.

When Agawam looks for local news, folks turn our pages - AAN!

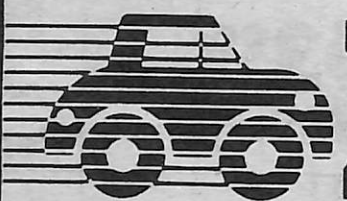
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PUBLISHER'S NOTE: In the final part of a three-part series, local historians Marilyn & Dick Curry give more reasons why it's important that townsfolk help save the ancient black willow tree on the property of the former Fisk/Flower home on South West Street, Feeding Hills.

The Value Of Our Past

In the December 1985 issue of *American Heritage*, there is an interesting article by Bill Moyers, entitled "Does History Still Matter?"

In his article, Moyers explains the value of our past history in the following mirror of experience. "The future, being a mystery, excites, but the past instructs."

"When I was a student at the University of Texas, one of the favorite campus legends concerned a professor of anthropology, whose great power was in bringing the past alive through his brilliant lectures on the ascent of the human species."

"Once, when he had been holding forth on a certain phase of evolution, a student in the rear of the room raised his hand and said, 'Professor, I just don't see what difference it would have made if my great-great-grandfather had been an ape.' The professor shot back: 'It would have made a significant difference to your great-great-great grandmother'."

We rest our case with this thought in mind. We cannot forget that which brought us to this day and time!

Of the ten champion trees of various species presently preserved throughout New England, not including the recent local black willow tree discovered in town, Agawam/Feeding Hills can proudly boast of its own champion.

At the Fisk/Flower home on South Westfield Street, with a point score of 284, this landmark rates well within the category of the first six trees, including Paper Birch, Hartford, Maine with a total score of 326 points; Yellow Birch, Deer Isle, Maine, 351 points; Balsam Poplar, South Egremont, Massachusetts, 319 points; and Norway Spruce, Durham, New Hampshire, 307 points.

Even if the black willow tree has a competitor outside the New England region, there is still much to say in favor of preserving the local tree on a regional basis!

In any respect, the townspeople can be justly proud of their personal contribution toward saving a fragment of Nature's gift to man.

Hampden County Property

Without a doubt, had it not been for the fact the willow tree is located on Hampden County property, it might very well have gone the route of cord wood many years past.

Since my husband and I live on Route 57, we can easily attest to the daily truckloads of cord wood or timber trucks that come down from the Berkshires or elsewhere.

One cannot but ponder if as many trees are replanted in compensation for the obvious thousands of linear feet of fallen timber headed for the fireplace. Unless we Americans, indeed we New Englanders, are careful, it could prove the downfall of our natural beauty.

In his *Essay On Nature*, Ralph Waldo Emerson aptly stated the true value of our natural woodland surroundings: "At the gates of the forest, the surprised man of the world is forced to leave his city estimates of great and small, wise, and foolish."

"The knapsack of custom falls off his back with the first step he takes into these precincts. Here is sanctity which shames our religions, and reality which discredits our heroes."

"Here we find Nature to be the circumstance which dwarfs every other circumstance, and judges like a god all men that come to her."

Still further... "The tempered light of the woods is like a perpetual morning, and is stimulating and heroic... The incommunicable trees begin to persuade us to live with them, and quit our life of solemn trifles. How easily we might walk onward into the opening landscape, absorbed by new pictures and by thoughts fast succeeding each other, until by degrees the recollection of home was crowded out of the mind; all memory obliterated by the tyranny of the present, and we were led in triumph by nature."

But it is to the credit of the rural poet James Whitcomb Riley to further evaluate Man's singular contact with Nature in his poem "When The Green Gits Back In The Trees"! In Spring, when the green gits back in the trees; and the sun comes out and stays; and yer boots pulls on with a good tight squeeze; and you think of yer bare-foot days; when you go to work and you

want to not; and you and yer wife agree that it's time to spade up the garden-plot, when the green gits back in the trees."

In all of us there remains even to this day that singular identification with Nature, despite our daily human woes at having to confront that which is our personal lot in life.

Yet, we oftentimes forget that we, as human beings, are but a small fragment of Nature, too often caught up in the trials of life, to remember that we are truly not the epitome of God's intentions, rather a part of it!

If Man is to be judged on the basis of his final contribution to Life, then he must realize that although an integral part of Nature, he is not the most important aspect of that which sustains him.

Future Welfare Of The Tree

For the past 80 years or more, Nature has properly attended to the growth of this mighty willow tree within our confines. Thanks to the efforts of our County Commissioners the tree shall, for the time, remain a living symbol of our town and village.

As to the future welfare of this magnificent tree we, the citizens of this town and village, must rely upon the words of President Kennedy's Inaugural Address: "Ask

Not What Your Country Can Do For You, Rather What You Can Do For Your Country."

"Will we, the townsfolk of Agawam/Feeding Hills, answer the call for the future preservation of the "Ole Willer Tree," or shall we fall victim to the famous quotation from Shakespeare: "What fools we mortals be."

LOCAL HISTORIANS Marilyn & Dick Curry welcome comments and suggestions about their popular column, "in old Agawam." The column is a weekly feature of the *Advertiser News*. Call the newspaper at 786-7747 if you have a suggestion.

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Spotlight On Business...

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CHRISTINE RACINE, owner and operator of the new Video and More located at O'Brien's Corner, Agawam, receives the good word from resident Betty Blair who last month purchased a VCR from Video and More. Mrs. Blair was quite pleased with the quality of the VCR as well as the service she receives at Video and More. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



AT VIDEO AND MORE, located at O'Brien's Corner, part-time employee Jeff Rovatti is an expert on the latest in VCR assessories and equipment. Stop in at Video and More and ask about purchasing a VCR camera such as the one displayed above. It will make the perfect Christmas present. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Spotlight On Business - Continued...

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FEEDING HILLS' NEW COMMUNITY SHOPS is graced with the relocated Community Savings Bank. The beautiful new branch was officially opened on Wednesday, December 11th, with a ribbon-cutting ceremony. Bank officials in attendance were, from left - Anthony Grimaldi, branch manager; Roswell Derby, senior vice president; Roy A. Scott, president; and Henry Kosak, vice-president. Stop by and visit the branch. You will be more than impressed with the many improvements from the old branch. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE STAFF OF THE NEW COMMUNITY SAVINGS BANK OFFICE: From left - Barbara Corgan, teller; Caron Brooks, head teller; Maria Pagan, teller; and Linda MacDonald, teller. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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by Dr. Joseph &
Dr. Katherine Schlaffer
Chiropractors



Shoveling Snow This Winter? Be Careful.

The glorious winter season is here again. There's nothing prettier than a new fallen snow. Nothing more dangerous either!

Each year, we hear about the number of heart attacks and strokes that occur as the result of overexertion. The tragedy of the fatal or near-fatal result of an apparently healthy person from snow shoveling is rather common. Other hazards involved are even more common.

The same snow which causes heart stress also causes dangerous stress to the discs in the spine of the shoulder. When you consider that a shovel of snow weighs from five to seven pounds, you realize the tremendous accumulative weight one has to lift to clear an area. The average driveway or walk will hold hundreds of pounds of snow.

Snow seems to present a challenge to most people. The cold air invigorates them to action, and the same cold air numbs their sense of pain and fatigue, thereby masking the severity of strain and sprain. The result: too much exertion, and too much work without rest breaks.

Doctors of Chiropractic, who are specialists in helping patients with spine related problems, recommend the following rules to guard against the snow-shoveler syndrome.

1. **Dress warmly**, but don't bundle up so as to make it difficult and awkward for you to move naturally.
2. **Use a lightweight pusher-type shovel.** Spray it with Teflon so snow will not cling to it.
3. **Try not to lift** the snow if possible. Push it into a pile thereby relieving spinal compression.
4. **Avoid sudden twists** of the torso. Move the entire body.
5. **Keep your back straight** when you lift. Use your legs rather than your back.
6. **Work slowly.**
7. **If you feel tired or short of breath**, stop and take a rest. Stand up straight and breathe deeply.
8. **If you feel a twinge of back pain**, stop completely and go inside the house, sit down, and rest. If pain persists, see a Doctor of Chiropractic immediately. With snow, it's wiser to use the head, instead of the back.

Freedom From Smoking Set For YMCA January 7th

If you are like most smokers, every January 1st you resolve to quit for good. The American Lung Association of Western Massachusetts knows how hard it is to kick the habit and would like to help.

"Freedom From Smoking," a seven session group program for smokers who want to quit, will be held at both the Springfield and Westfield YMCA starting January 7th.

The program uses group support, films, relaxation exercises, and the behavior process to ease the stress of quitting. The course is \$40 and pre-registration is required. Call the Lung Association, 737-3506 to register for the course nearest you.



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Heart Assn. Says Be Wary Of Fats, Oils

Consumers today can be inundated with food labeling terminology like saturated, unsaturated, polyunsaturated, and monounsaturated. Claims made by food manufacturers can be confusing, and in some cases misleading.

Low In Cholesterol Diet

The American Heart Association (AHA) recommends a diet **low** in cholesterol (a waxy substance that can build-up in the walls of the arteries) and **low** in saturated fats.

Saturated fats tend to raise the level of cholesterol in the blood. They are found in most animal products, and in some vegetable products.

Coconut oil, cocoa butter, and palm oil (used in prepared cookies, pie fillings, and most non-dairy milk and cream substitutes) are examples of vegetable products high in saturated fats. Butter, cream, whole milk, and cheeses made from cream or whole milk also contain saturated fats.

A chemical process called **hydrogenation** can be used to change liquid fats to solids. This is the process used to harden some liquid vegetable oil margarines and vegetable shortenings.

Hydrogenated fats should be avoided or used in moderation. Many liquid vegetable margarines contain **partially hydrogenated** oils and liquid oils.

When selecting a margarine, choose one that lists the first ingredient on the label as a "liquid vegetable oil," and refers to the term "partially hydrogenated" in the second or third ingredient. A margarine that lists its first ingredient as a "hydrogenated oil" should be avoided.

Polyunsaturated fats tend to lower the level of cholesterol in the body. Polyunsaturated fats are usually liquid vegetable oils. Oils such as corn, cottonseed, safflower, sesame seed, soybean, and sunflower seed are high in polyunsaturated fats. The AHA recommends that these types of fats be included in the diet as a substitute for some of the saturated ones.

Olive oil and peanut oil are also vegetable oils, but they contain primarily **monosaturated** fatty acids. These products are examples of oils termed **monounsaturated** fats. They can be used in food preparation for occasional flavoring.

Lower Blood Cholesterol

They also tend to lower blood cholesterol, but not to the same extent as polyunsaturated fatty oils.

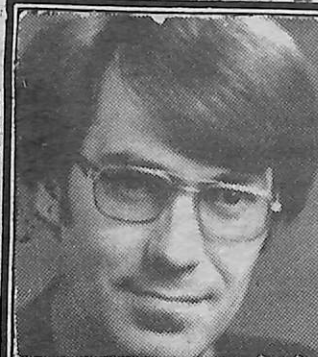
The American Heart Association's dietary guidelines suggest that only 30 percent of the daily caloric intake come from fats.

At least 10 percent of that fat should be from polyunsaturated sources, and no more than 10 percent from saturated fats. Understanding the terminology on food labels can help you better determine what foods you serve on your dinner table.



YOUR DENTAL HEALTH

By Dr. Stephen Jacaparo
DMD



Dental Tips & Topics

Someday in the not too distant future, dentists may be able to inoculate children with a vaccine that prevents cavities.

Researchers say the vaccine would be as much as 90 percent effective in stopping the decay process and that it could be available within the next decade or two. This immunizing medication may also be available in pill form for those who blanch at the thought of an injection.

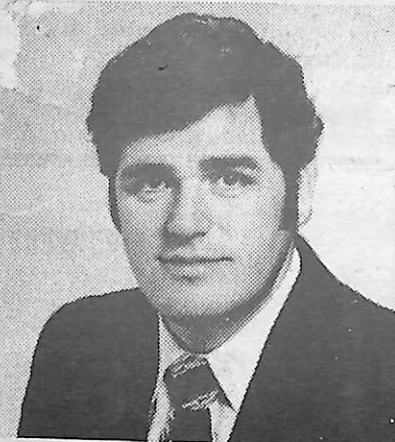
Age two to three is the best time for a first check-up with the dentist. In fact, it's wise to acquaint your child with the dentist and staff before dental problems arise. Treat the trip as an adventure and avoid passing on negative attitudes and myths about dentistry to your child.

Aside from using drugs to control discomfort, many dentists today are exploring nonchemical methods of reducing anxiety in their patients. Borrowed from such disciplines as behavioral therapy and clinical psychology, these techniques include biofeedback training, relaxation exercises, video games as a distraction method, and hypnosis.

The average American household annually spends \$106.52 on sweets, nine times the amount spent on tooth-care products, according to the *Wall Street Journal*. The breakdown: ice cream, cookies - \$45.29; candy, gum - \$29.13; cakes, cupcakes - \$16.29; doughnuts, sweet rolls - \$15.81, and oral hygiene products - \$11.53.

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Arts

Local Artist Exhibits Abstract Art At Public Library



LOCAL ARTIST SUZANNE MARIE MOLLEUR of 34 Portland Street, Feeding Hills, is presently exhibiting 23 of her abstract art paintings at the Agawam Public Library, through January 3rd. In photos above, Suzanne displays her works to several townspeople (not shown). Advertiser News photos by Jack Devine.

Springfield Welcomes Town Residents To View Lights

Springfield Central Inc., invites all residents of the Greater Springfield area to take a tour of downtown Springfield and enjoy the most splendid visual decorations the City of Springfield has ever had, and by far the best in New England!

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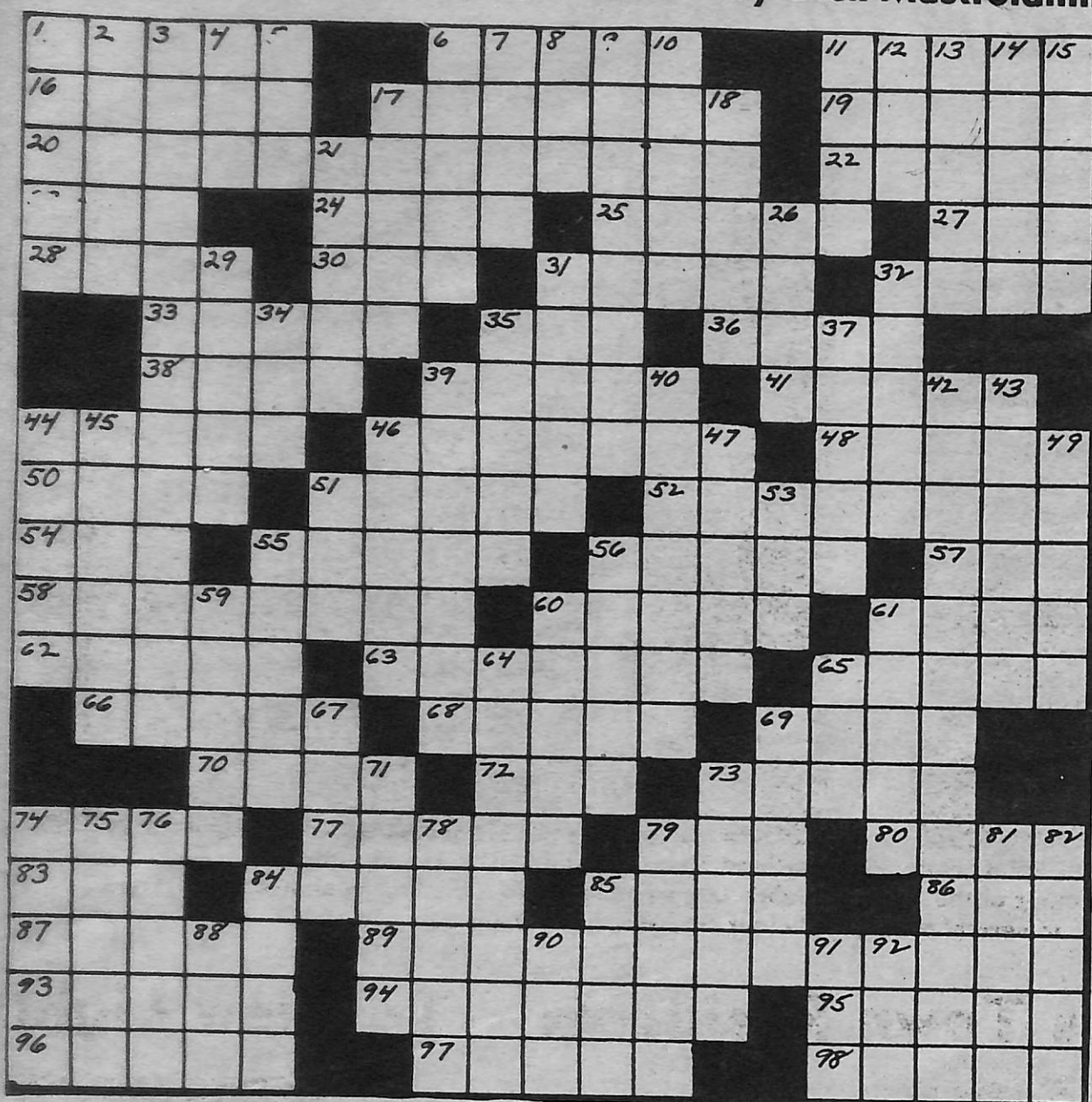
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32. "It's - a long, long..."
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Santa & His Elves To Arrive At Wade Park In Feeding Hills

Santa will arrive by helicopter on Saturday, December 21st. He will land at Wade Park (off Franklin Street, which runs between Springfield and Mill Streets) at about 1:00 p.m., and stay until 4:00 p.m.

Santa's elves (Agawam High cheerleaders) will be assisting Santa. Pictures of your child with Santa will be available at a minimal charge.

Santa hopes to see all the little girls and boys of Agawam who have been good this year!

Disney Film To Be Shown At Public Library

The Agawam Library will show the full length Walt Disney feature film, *The Love Bug*, on Saturday, December 28th, from 2:30 to 4:15 p.m.

The movie, starring Dean Jones, Michelle Lee, and Buddy Hackett, tells the story of Herbie, an emotional Volkswagen, who tries to straighten out the life of a has-been racing car driver with riotous results.

The public is invited to attend. Admission is free. Children under six must be accompanied by an adult. To register, call the library, 789-1550.

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DANCE ARTS ENSEMBLE MEMBERS who entertained Granger School students on Wednesday, December 11th, were, from left - Laura Dialesi (Feeding Hills), Sheilah Kane, Joy Goodhue, Sarah Williams, Rosalie Dialessi (Feeding Hills resident), and Michelle Monkiewicz (town resident). Advertiser News

photo by Jack Devine.



OTHER CAST MEMBERS OF NUTCRACKER SUITE are, standing - Kristin Muller, Heather Kline, Christany Utzinger, and Cheryl Brown. Kneeling - Laurie Lenahan and Amy Giacometti. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Dance Arts Ensemble Features Locals In Nutcracker Suite

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

Tchaikovsky's classic Christmas ballet, the "Nutcracker Suite," was performed for students in grades three to five at Granger School, Wednesday, December 11th, by members of the Dance Arts Ensemble.

As synonymous with Christmas as mistletoe and holly, the two-act, 45-minute production recounted the magical adventures of Clara who travels to the Land of Sweets.

Ensemble director Deborah Haskins, a former member of the Berkshire Ballet in Pittsfield, points out that the dance company has been performing the traditional holiday production at several schools in the Greater Springfield area.

Established in 1981, the 13-member ensemble is comprised of local young women aged 12-adult.

Ms. Haskins points out that the dance company was formed to afford students a means of showcasing their talents other than the annual spring recital.

Besides the Nutcracker, the group performs several children's ballets as well as concert pieces throughout the year.

She explains that the ensemble, which conducts auditions each September, is open to any area student who has had at least five years ballet training.

Ms. Haskins relates that mini-productions are structured for young children who may be witnessing a live ballet performance for the first time.

She credits parents and friends of the Dance Arts Ensemble for the show's intricate, handmade costumes and set furnishings.

The holiday production, which included many costume and set changes, featured performances by three local residents. Portraying Clara's mother was Rosalie Dialessi; a soldier, Chinese dancer, and flower, Laura Dialessi; and young child and mirliton, Michelle Monkiewicz.

At the ballet's conclusion, Ms. Haskins conducted a question and answer session with audience members. She also thanked the students for being a wonderful, attentive audience.

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Agawam Middle School Holds Christmas Shoppe



MIDDLE SCHOOL PTO MEMBERS Melissa Benerakis and Denise Navick entice school student Marianne Campbell to buy an item from the PTO sponsored Christmas Shoppe, held on Thursday, December 12th.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT TOMMY LOCKE of Brien Street looks over the holiday display at the school while PTO members Jane Roulston and Jeanne LaBreck look on. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Cavallo Recognized With Special Award From U.S. Air Force

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

The United States Air Force Recruiting Service presented Agawam High School Guidance Department Director Paul Cavallo with a "Certificate of Appreciation" for his "support and dedication in upholding the ideals of the United States of America," Thursday, December 12th.

In his presentation, USAF Staff Sergeant Mark Lane noted that Cavallo's support has been overwhelming in comparison to other school guidance directors.

He explains that the USAF recruiting service initiated the awards program as a means of recognizing civilians whose support has been outstanding.

Lane relates that Cavallo is the only guidance director in the local area to receive the award.

Moreover, he notes that Cavallo will be eligible for yet another award in six months.

The veteran guidance director says that he was both surprised and pleased to receive the certificate of appreciation.

Cavallo believes that there is a need for Armed Forces representation in high schools since not all graduates will further their educations at two or four-year colleges and technical schools.

Another reason he avidly supports the military recruiting program is that each of them stresses the importance of attaining a high school diploma to students.

However, for those who are unable to complete their schooling, educational programs are offered by the government both during and after enlistment.

Cavallo reports that, last year, 14 AHS graduates enlisted in the Air Force. Those who have returned to his office for a visit have stated how pleased they are with their decision for a military career.

"It's amazing how some of our former students have changed since their military enlistment. Most are very pleased with their positions due to the honest appraisal of military life they received from recruiters prior to their enlistment," he remarks.

The guidance director explains that each year all juniors are given the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test. The results of these three-hour examinations, which encompass all academic and vocational areas, are released to students prior to Christmas vacation.

Scores Aid Recruiters

Besides another source of reference for the Guidance Department, the test scores aid recruiters in determining what areas of training for which enlistees are best suited.

Cavallo points out that another benefit students derive from military service is training in areas which can be easily adapted for civilian careers. He notes that to date, four seniors have already decided to enlist in the Air Force upon graduation.

"Military recruiters are as integral a part of the educational system as recruiters from Ivy League and Big 10 colleges. They are respected by guidance personnel for their good, sensible counseling. I'm pleased to support their endeavors," he states.

Santa Claus Visits Local YMCA Agawam School

On December 2nd and 3rd, Mrs. Santa Claus paid a visit to the children of the YMCA Agawam Nursery School.

She had been sent by Santa to find out what his little friends in Agawam wanted for Christmas. Mrs. Claus told the children, "Santa sent me to visit you because he and the elves are very busy making all the toys you want for Christmas."

Mrs. Claus answered all the questions the children asked, and she asked a few of her own. "Are you eating good meals? Are you obeying Mommy and Daddy? Are you going to bed when you're told? Do you say your prayers every night? Have you written your letter to Santa?"

She read the children a Christmas story and gave them each Christmas cookies she had made.

When her visit was over, the children and Mrs. Santa Claus said "goodbye" and wished each other a "Merry Christmas." Mrs. Claus assured the children that Santa would visit them all when he takes his Christmas ride on Christmas Eve.

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USAF STAFF SERGEANT MARK LANE (left) presents Agawam High Guidance Department Chairman Paul Cavallo (center) with a certificate of appreciation on Thursday, December 12th. Also adding his congratulations is Principal John Morrissey. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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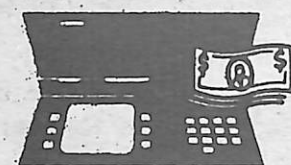
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Christmas Bazaar Held For James Clark School Kids



SANTA'S ELF DONNA HARVEY (back) and James Clark PTO members **Carol Della Giustina** and **Sue Andreoli** (event chairwoman) help students **Danielle Curley** and **Richard Cross** select gifts at the PTO sponsored Christmas Bazaar Wednesday, December 11th. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

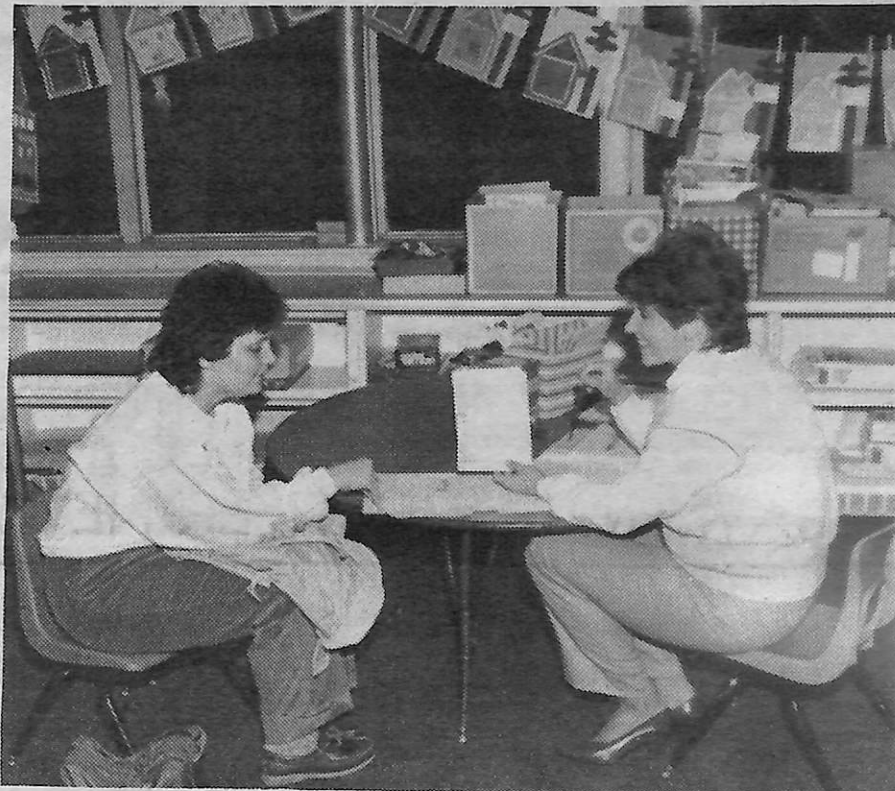


SANTA (Dale Pappas) and **MRS. CLAUS** (Lucretia Ferioli) were on hand at the James Clark PTO Christmas Bazaar making sure students, from left - **Jonathan Clayton**, **Brenna Quinn**, **Kyle Gendron**, **Angela Santanella**, and **Jennifer Pappas** fill their shopping bags to the brim. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

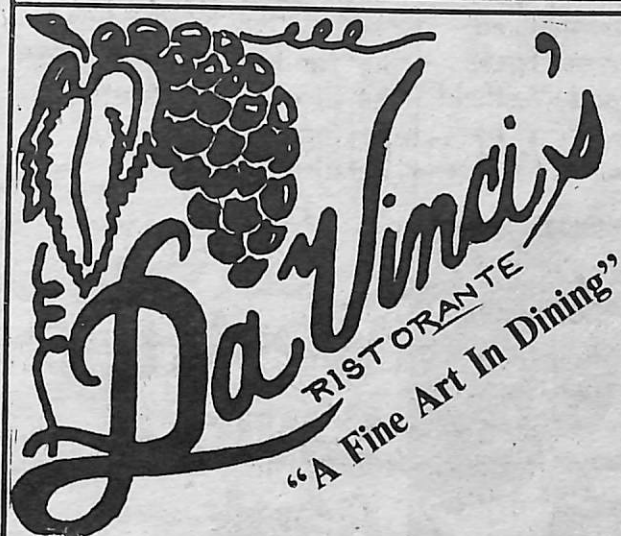
Open House At Robinson Park School



PARENT KENNETH SANTUCCI hears all about what his child is up to in kindergarten class at Robinson Park Elementary School from teacher **Linda Orr** at the school's recent Open House. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



ROBINSON PARK KINDERGARTEN TEACHER Judith Spellacy (right) explains subject material to parent **Jackie Szymczyk** at a recent Open House held at the school. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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Pack 78 Cub Scouts In Pinewood Derby

by Alexis Ferioli
School Department Editor

The checkered flag ended a day of racing excitement for Cub Scouts of Pack 78 as they participated in the annual Pinewood Derby, Sunday, November 24th, at the Polish American Club.

Pack Committee Chairman Hugh McBride reports that the annual father/son event featured 66 of the best homemade racers that he has seen in recent years.

Competition was tough as the scouts vied for first, second, and third place medals in each of their dens. First place winners from each of the seven dens then competed for first, second, and third place pack honors.

Receiving trophies for their victory lane performances were Carl Perkins, first place; Matt Christy, second place; and Brian Holden, third place.

McBride notes that the three finalists will represent the pack in district competition later this year.

While cars were racing towards the finish line, another form of competition was taking place.

Pack 78 Unit Commissioner Regis Bluteau and Pack 89 Cubmaster Miguel Hollander had the difficult and delicious task of judging the pack's second Annual Father/Son "Bake-Off" Contest.

McBride explains that each scout and his dad were required to bake and decorate a cake without the assistance of mom.

First, second, and third place ribbons were awarded to the creative young chefs in 14 categories.

Cakes judged most scout oriented were created by Jason Rosati, first place; Peter Cecchi, second; and Vinny Russo, third.

Silliest cakes were baked by Craig Day, first place; Eric Provencher, second; and Mike Powers, third.

Cakes deemed most nature oriented were baked by Timmy and B.J. Cortis, first place; and Bobby Daly, second place.

The most colorful category was won by Chris Day,

first place; Zack Kashmanian, second; and Jeff Bryant, third.

Tallest cakes were baked by Matt Bedore, first place; Matt Christy, second; and Jason LaFleur, third.

Cakes best depicting the Pinewood Derby theme were baked by Aaron Hill, first place; Bryan McBride, second; and Danny Barber, third.

Sports were the theme of cakes baked by Keith Long, first place; Joey Giordano, second; and David Zucco, third.

Scouts baking the heaviest cakes were Jason Palivoda, first place; Jason Bryant, second; and Todd Boskiewicz, third.

Most creative honors were bestowed upon Brian Holden, first place; Bobby Parslow, second; and Todd Boskiewicz, third.

Blue ribbons were awarded to Tony Ferioli for the cake depicting the best Webelos theme, and Bobby Latif for the best frontier theme.

Most patriotic honors were won by Carl Perkins, first place; Tony Russo, second; and Jason Ferris, third.

Scouts baking the tastiest cakes were Roland Charles, first place; Marc Sales, second; and Tony Ausant, third.

The chocolatiest cakes were baked by Kenny Grady, first place; Brian Kiddy, second; and T.J. Aussant, third.

According to McBride, January promises to be a busy month for Pack 78.

Besides a swim and gym session January 10th, the scouts will compete in the Annual Yukon Derby at Moses Scout Reservation, January 18th.

A uniform inspection and magic show will highlight the monthly pack meeting January 19th and conclude a month of fun and excitement for the scouts.

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Agawam Schools' Lunch Menus

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Monday, January 6th: Pepperoni pizza with cheese topping, tossed garden salad with spinach greens and dressing, chilled apricots in syrup, milk.

Tuesday, January 7th: Hamburg in roll, sliced cheese, buttered rice, peas and carrots, mustard, relish, ketchup, fresh apple or chocolate pudding with whip topping, milk.

Wednesday, January 8th: Steamed frankfort in roll, baked beans, oven roasted potatoes, mustard, relish, ketchup, blueberry cake with vanilla icing, milk.

Thursday, January 9th: Beef cubes in gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered carrots, wheat bread and butter, school baked oatmeal cookies, milk.

Friday, January 10th: Chicken rice soup, baked chicken nuggets, honey and mayonnaise, buttered niblet corn, jello with whip topping, or fruit cup, milk.

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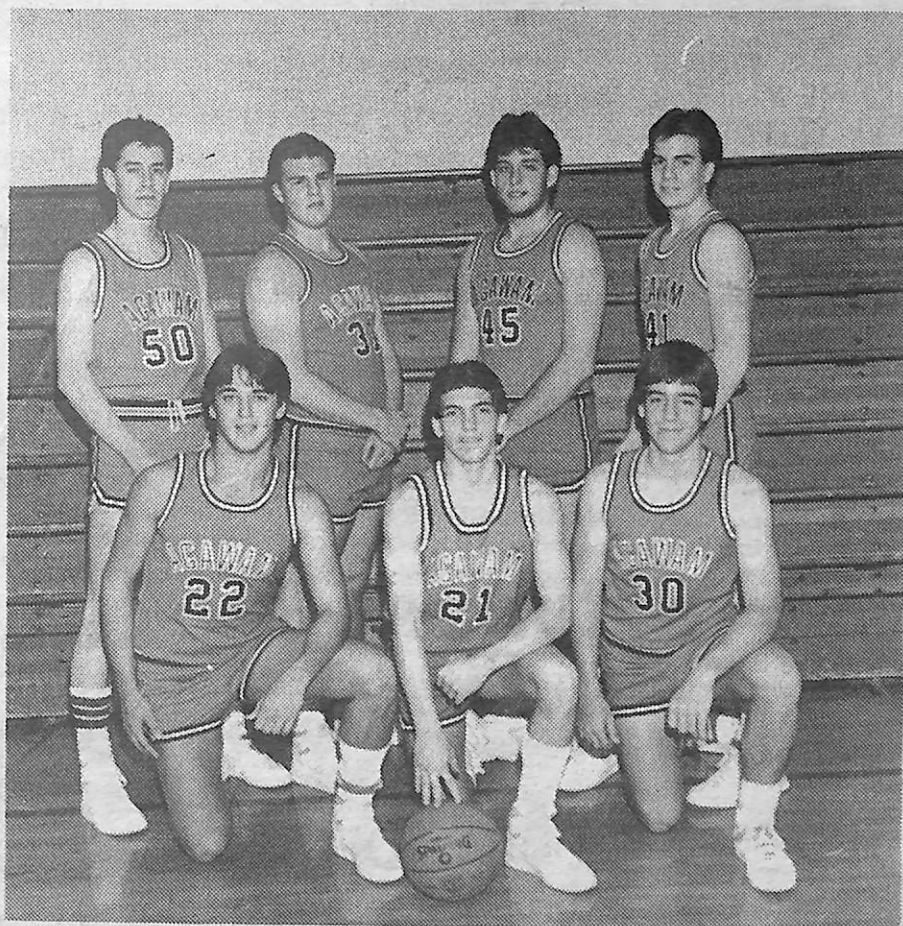
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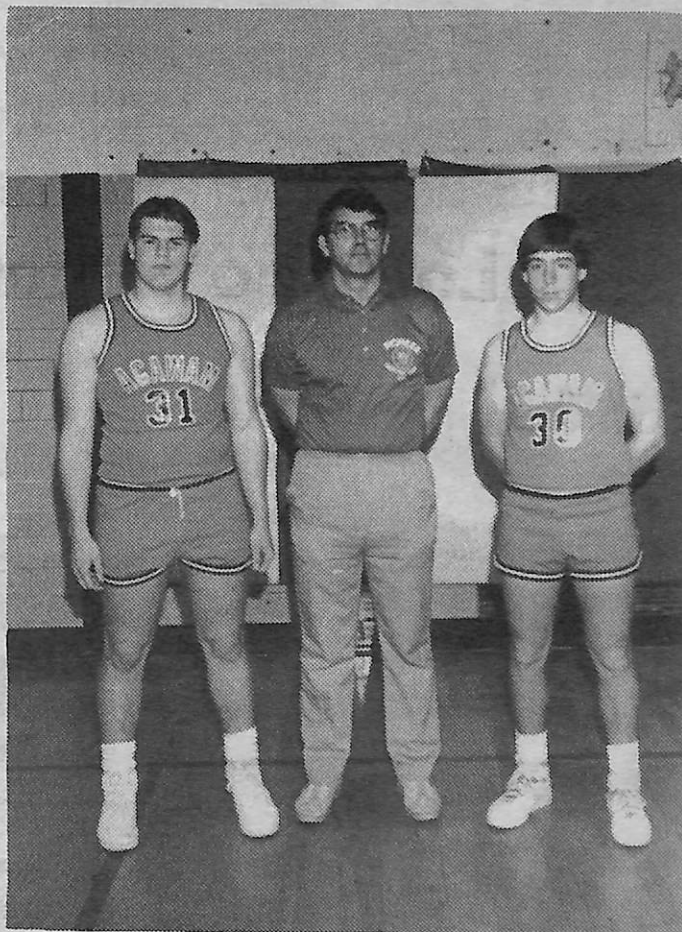


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by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor



SENIORS ON THE AHS BOYS' varsity basketball team this year are, back row, from left - Mike Avis, Paul Fetherston, Paul Scoville, and Dave Pemberton. Front row - Ray LeClair, Tim Lockwood, and Mike Chausse. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



FIRST-YEAR Agawam High coach Mike Martin flanked by his senior captains, Paul Fetherston and Mike Chausse. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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Martin, Brownies Seek To Put 56 Behind Them

by Judith Kelliher
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Prediction: The Agawam High boys' varsity basketball team will snap a nightmarish three-year losing streak by the end of this week.

Let's not mess around with this thing. At presstime, the Brownies go into the season-opener with always-tough and disciplined Longmeadow on the short end of 56 consecutive losses. The locals had a decent shot at beating the Lancers.

The Brownies are also scheduled to play very beatable West Springfield on Friday, December 20th.

The orange and brown have a complete change in latitude and attitude in 1985-86 under new coach Mike Martin, the owner of a travel agency and a Feeding Hills resident.

The Brownies are coming off a painful 0-20 1984-85 campaign under former coach Peter Kowalski. This year, the locals have some experience on the floor and tons from the bench.

Martin, as is well-known, is no stranger to success. He hails from a sports family and recently completed a stint on the youth basketball trails with co-coach Bob Hersey of the Agawam Athletic Association suburban program. The girls team Hersey and Martin coached won 23 straight and the championship.

Martin is best remembered as the braintrust behind the High School of Commerce for nine years. While directing the Red Raiders, Martin's teams won three state titles, five Western Mass. championships, and an overall record of 162-42.

That was Commerce. This is Agawam. However, Martin says he's up to his latest challenge and is happy to be back in the schoolboy ranks in the town he now resides in.

"About the great losing streak, Martin simply states, "Of course I'd like to see it end right away. These kids worked hard and have a sincere interest in turning this

program around."

Agawam lost only one senior to graduation. They are coming back with a host of seniors that struggled and tussled through the anxiety of two straight losing and winless seasons.

Also, many players on this same team were outstanding in the summer hoop league in the months of July and August, adding confidence in their ability to work as a team and win.

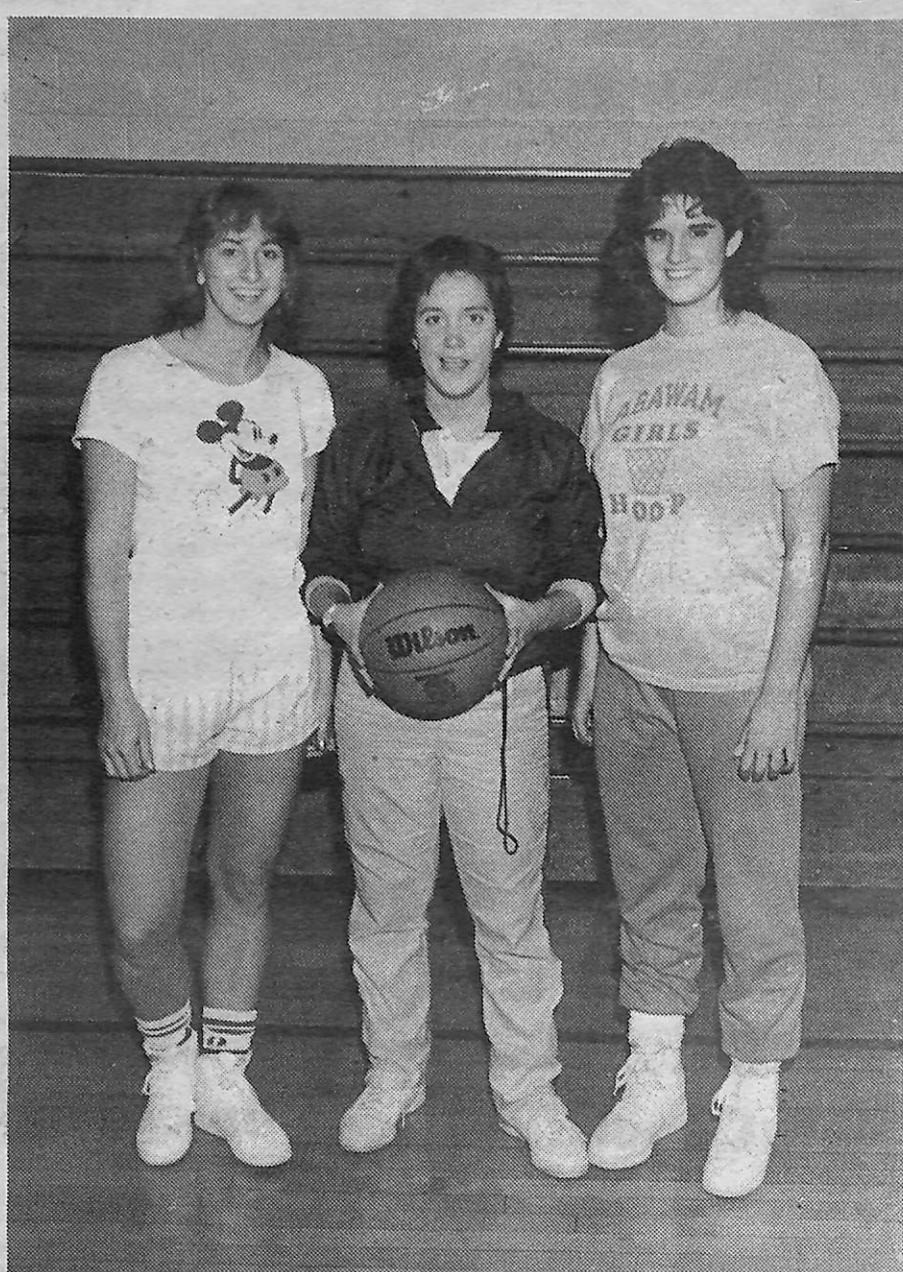
"We definitely have some experience coming back," noted Martin. "I plan on utilizing our depth by playing a lot of guys."

Agawam had pre-season scrimmages against Bellow Falls of Vermont, Suffield Academy, and Somers High, both of Connecticut. According to Martin, his team looked good at times and he seems pleased with the Brownies caliber of play in the early season.

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SENIOR MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH varsity girls' basketball team are, from left - Lisa Caron, Joelle Dion, Gina Serra, and Ellen Conlin. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



NEW GIRLS' VARSITY BASKETBALL COACH Amy MacNicholl with this year's captains - senior Joelle Dion (left) and Gina Serra (right). Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownie Gals Look To Rebound On Hardwood - '85 '86

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

A crop of experienced players and a handful of "pleasant surprises" comprise the Agawam High girls' varsity basketball team as it tries to improve on last season's disappointing 6-14 mark.

The Brownies also have a new look behind the bench in 1985-86 as Amy MacNicholl replaces veteran coach Cindy Grieve.

The Brownies were scheduled to host Minnechaug Regional of Wilbraham at presstime as they embark on an ambitious 19-game schedule.

Miss MacNicholl's philosophy is simply to rebuild the program: work hard and play to the best of your ability.

"We need to hustle all the time and if we're persistent then we'll be more successful," she told us.

The Brownies have an 11-member team including top returnees Trish Landry (point guard), Kelli Trudel (center/forward), Joelle Dion (forward), Gina Serra (center/forward), and Carolyn Jochim (guard).

A promising group of newcomers add some depth to the Brownie lineup with sophomore transfer student from North Carolina, C.G. Long, junior Becky Runshaw, and frosh Lori Desmone, Traci Trudel, and Ellen Conlin.

Miss MacNicholl plans an up-tempo beat on offense and a mix-it-up defense.

"We've got some quick guards and some strong girls down low for rebounding," said Miss MacNicholl, "so we can throw various defenses at our opponents. I'm very pleased with the promise the younger members of the team are showing."

She did note that several of the players are hesitant to shoot, but hopes that with time and experience, they will overcome that early-season deficiency.

The Valley Wheel looks most competitive this season, especially with Western Mass. Division I champion Amherst Regional returning a good squad. East Longmeadow and Longmeadow also should figure into the league picture.

In addition to league opponents, the Brownies will face Valley League teams like Cathedral, Chicopee, Chicopee Comp, Holyoke, Westfield, and West Springfield.

CAPSULE OUTLOOK:

COACH: Amy MacNicholl, 1st year



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LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 6-14

TOP RETURNERS: Kelli Trudel, Trish Landry, Gina Serra, Joelle Dion, Lisa Caron, and Carolyn Jochim.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Becky Runshaw, C.G. Long, Lori Desmone, Traci Trudel, and Ellen Conlin.

STRENGTH: Speed, experience, decent depth

WEAKNESS: height

OUTLOOK: FAIR TO GOOD



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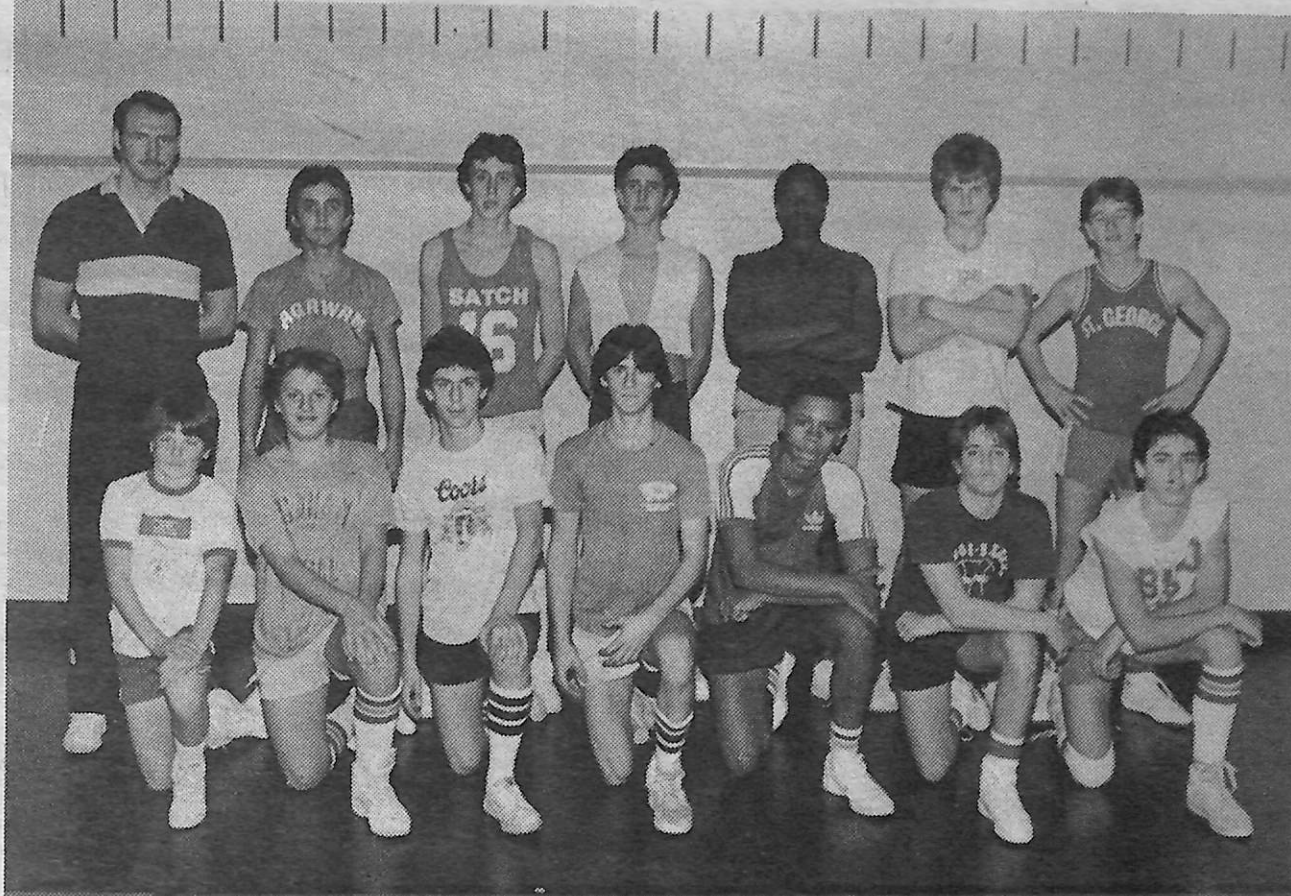


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MEMBERS OF THE AGAWAM JUNIOR HIGH basketball team for 1985-86 are, back row, from left - Coach Rex Evans, Tim Michael, Eric Fogg, John Serra, Charles Giles, Darren Brown, and George Corgan. Front row - Tim Burns, Travis Hyland, Mike Bellini, Scott Fancy, Roy O'Quinn, Aaron Vanderhoof, and John DePalma. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

New Coach To Lead Junior High Basketball

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

First-year Agawam Junior High basketball coach Rex Evans feels that the Agawam Athletic Association's Suburban Basketball League program will be beneficial to the success of the frosh in 1985-86.

"I think having the Suburban program is a great idea. It helps to develop the kids skills early so that by the time they reach the high school programs they are that much better off," said Evans, who is an undergraduate at Springfield College.

The Warriors are coming off a successful 12-5 record in the 1984-85 season when they were under the direction of Dick Cowles. Only a handful of player from last year have returned while the others moved up to the junior varsity and varsity programs at the high school.

Evans said he hopes to teach his players basic fundamentals. "The ultimate goal is to play the best we can and the winning will take care of itself. When we play, all I can hope for is that the kids will try their hardest at all times," stated Evans.

He said this year's team has strength in its speed at the guard position. This should lead to a fastbreak offense. He noted that to ignite any running game, a team must have good rebounding. "We do have strength under the boards on this team," Evans told us.

The frosh hoopsters have 12 players, including John Serra (forward), John DePalma (guard), 6-2 center Darren Brown, George Corgan (forward), Aaron Vanderhoof (guard), Charles Giles (guard), Roy O'Quinn (forward), Scott Fancy (guard), Mike Bellini (guard), Travis Hyland (guard), Tim Michael (forward), and Eric Fogg (forward).

Evans said that Serra, Corgan, and DePalma will probably be the best scorers, while Brown can handle the offensive rebounding with gusto.

Agawam opened its schedule vs. Longmeadow, Tuesday, December 17th, at home. Other teams the locals will face this season will be West Springfield, Amherst, East Longmeadow, and Westfield.

CAPSULE PREVIEW:

COACH: Rex Evans, first year

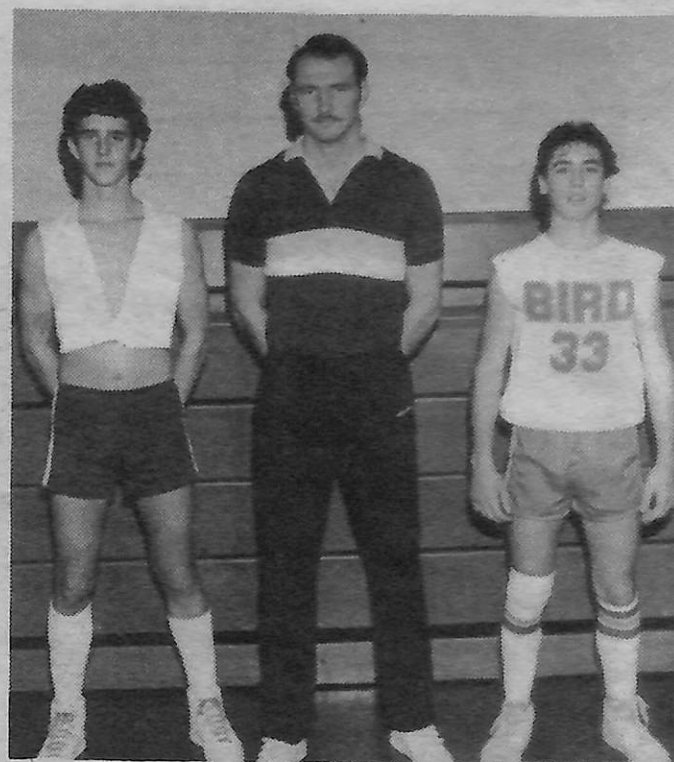
LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 12-5

TOP RETURNERS: John Serra, John DePalma, George Corgan, and Aaron Vanderhoof.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Darren Brown, Charles Giles, Roy O'Quinn, Scott Fancy, Mike Bellini, Travis Hyland, Tim Michael, and Eric Fogg.

STRENGTH: speed at guard positions, shooting.
WEAKNESS: Frontliners are slow, not much height.

OUTLOOK: FAIR TO GOOD



NEW JUNIOR HIGH basketball coach Rex Evans with his captains, John Serra (left) and John DePalma. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AHS BOYS' HOOP - From Page 30...

In a breakdown of Agawam's starting five, the team will be relying on the outside shooting of seniors Mike Chausse and Dave Pemberton; the point guard and assist duties of Tim Lockwood; and the rebound of 6-2 center/forward Paul Scoville and Paul Featherston, both three-year members of the varsity.

"Each player has a certain job to do. We're going to try and keep things simple, but it will be an up-tempo type game for us," says Martin.

Rounding out the Brownies lineup are Ray Leclair, Mike Avis, Jim Hansen, Nick Carra, Jeff Peterson, and Jim Lockwood.

It looks like Chicopee Comp is the team to beat in the Valley Wheel this year. Other teams include Longmeadow, Minnechaug, West Springfield, and Westfield. In the Valley League, Martin's former Commerce High sports several returning All-Western Mass. players from last year's strong team.

"We're just going to take one game at a time. Hopefully, we'll get a few wins early in the season and it will help build our confidence," said Martin. "The weakest part of our schedule is in the beginning. We'll face the city teams in the second half."

CAPSULE OUTLOOK:

COACH: Mike Martin, first year

LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 0-20

TOP RETURNERS: Paul Featherston, Paul Scoville, Dave Pemberton, Ray Leclair, Tim Lockwood, Mike Chausse, Mike Avis, Jim Hansen, and Nick Carra.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Jeff Peterson and Jim Lockwood.

STRENGTH: Experience at all positions, coaching, attitude most positive

WEAKNESS: Rebounding and height
OUTLOOK: FAIR

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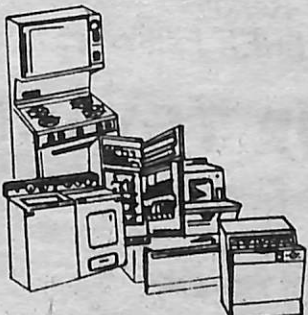
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Bruso Charged With Rebuilding Fortunes Of AHS Hockey

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Last year, the Agawam High varsity hockey team missed the Division I schoolboy hockey playoffs by a mile. In a rebuilding season which saw 11 seniors lost to graduation from the 1983-84 playoff team, the locals had a long and frustrating 0-15-1 season in the rough and tough Berry Division.

This year, under first-year coach Len Bruso, who replaced three-year mentor Ed Drewnowski, the Brownies hope to parlay that pain and rebuilding from a year ago into a successful 1985-86 season.

"The team was very young last year and they had a very tough season," said Bruso. "I give them lots of credit for sticking it out. None of these kids gave up last year. I think what happened to them last winter will make them much better players this year."

The Brownies have four returning senior forwards as well as two sophomores who figure prominently into the offense. Darren Hill, Pete Sibilia, Bob Barbarini, Bob Coelln, and sophomores Ricky Parolo and Paul Morris comprise the first two lines. Parolo, the soccer team's leading scorer last fall will hopefully bring that scoring knack to the ice, noted Bruso.

Defensively, the Brownies have senior goalie Mike Augusti. He saw plenty of action last year and will be joined by senior netminder Mike Ruggeri. Let's just say that Augusti saw his share of pucks a year ago.

The Brownies do have some problems on defense because of little or no experience. Except for standout Dennis Punch, the defense has new and young faces in the lineup.

Rounding out the defensive squad are Tony Young, Mike Parolo, John Kovalski, and Steve Silva. Other offensive players include Chris Shea, Dan Bryden, and Paul Karam.

The Berry Division once again loom as a most serious challenge for the Brownies to face. Traditional power Cathedral, Division II champion Westfield, and defensive-minded Minnechaug of Wilbraham all sport strong clubs.

"I think the teams that play in the Berry Division will be extremely tough this year," said Bruso. "However, I'm hoping that we can make the playoffs. This season should be a different story for us than last year."

The Brownies opened the 1985-86 campaign, Wednesday, December 18th, vs West Springfield.

CAPSULE OUTLOOK:

COACH: Len Bruso, first year

LAST YEAR'S RECORD: 0-15-1

TOP RETURNERS: Darren Hill, Pete Sibilia, Bob Barbarini, Bob Coelln, Mike Augusti, Mike Ruggeri, Chris Shea, Dan Bryden, Tony Young, Ricky Parolo, and Dennis Punch.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Mike Parolo, John Kovalski, Paul Morris, Paul Karam, and Steve Silva.

STRENGTH: Better experience this year, goaltending.

WEAKNESS: Defensive line, goal-scoring still in question.

OUTLOOK: FAIR TO GOOD



NEW AGAWAM HIGH HOCKEY COACH LEN BRUSO (left) and Assistant Coach Jerry Sibilia (right) hope to turn things around for the orange and brown on the ice in 1985-86. This year's captains are, from left - Mike Augusti, Pete Sibilia, Bob Barbarini, and Dennis Punch. The Brownies open the campaign on Wednesday, December 18th (presstime) vs. Berry Division foe West Springfield. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



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SENIORS ARE THE AHS varsity wrestling team this year are, back row, from left - Jim Maloney, Chris White, Tony Ingham, and Glenn Tetreault. Front row - Mike Mendes, Barry Felix, Benny Rocca, and David Sgeuglia. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



VARSITY WRESTLING COACH Phil Tomkiel (left) and Assistant Coach Gary Geiger (right) with this year's captains, from left - Barry Felix, Chris Shite, and Tony Ingham. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Brownie Grapplers Again Loom As Div. I Threat

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

Is it possible that the Agawam High wrestling team can top its 11-1 record in the 1984-85 season along with a second place finish in the Division I Western Mass. Tournament and a seventh in the State Tournament?

Well, 12-year coach Phil Tomkiel thinks so and he has the experienced personnel and large number of wrestlers to back up that claim.

"I really think we can win it all this year. That's a realistic goal for us. Almost every one of the starters has varsity experience and some have excellent tournament experience as well," said Tomkiel.

Gone from the Agawam lineup this year is the school's first-ever two-time state champion in anything, heavyweight Al Ingham. Ingham also distinguished himself for the orange and brown at the New England Schoolboy Meet as both a junior and senior.

Despite losing this schoolboy superstar, the locals are 45 members strong, including many members from last year's 12-0 junior varsity squad.

For the most part, all 12 weight classes have experienced and quality wrestlers filling them. Several positions even have two or three people fighting it out for the number one spot in the lineup.

Agawam's 12-match schedule gets underway on Thursday, December 10th, at Quabbin Regional, which, according to Tomkiel, has a much-improved program.

Putnam, always a powerhouse in schoolboy wrestling

features two Western Mass. champions to its lineup and will defend its Western Mass. team crown with gusto this year. Agawam will have a huge time stripping the title from them but remains confident it can be done.

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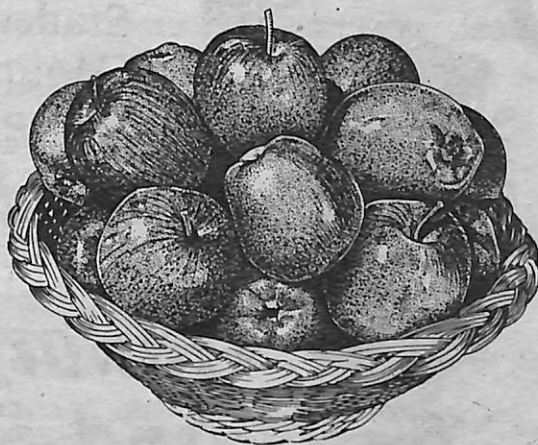
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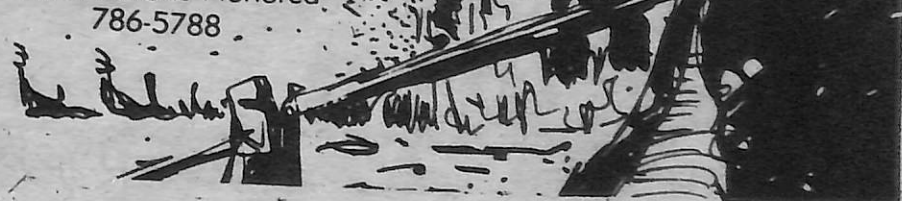
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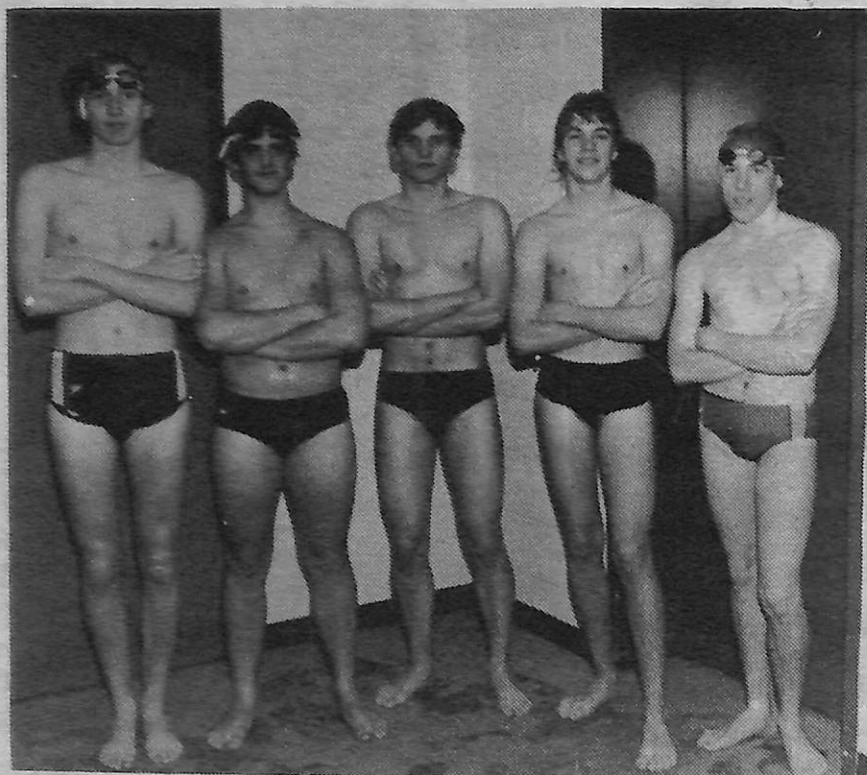
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TOP COMPETITORS ON THE Agawam High varsity swim team this year are, from left - David Allen, Mike Wojcik, Rich Vezis, Jason Osborne, and Shea Charles. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE FORTUNES OF AHS GIRLS' SWIMMING will be heavily counting on the efforts of team members, from left - Kim Christy, Jennifer Scalise, Christine Desilets, Anne Llewellyn, and Karen Wright. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Smith Takes Reins Of Both AHS Varsity Swim Teams

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

The Agawam High boys' and girls' swim teams are very similar in makeup this season. It's a good thing, too, because veteran coach Dave Smith is handling both squads this season. Girls' coach Dee Berkey did not return.

Both teams have larger numbers than last year and have a strong swimmer in every event. In addition, the locals also have some competitors able to compete in any combination of events. That has Smith smiling.

"I'm really excited about this season," said Smith. "Both teams have a lot of talent and experience. I think we have the bodies and the talent to be very good in the B Division this season."

BOYS' TEAM:

The Brownies are coming off a 7-7 season and finished 11th in Western Mass. a year ago. The squad is 21 swimmers strong, which is up a few from last season.

The only area Smith is lacking in experience is in the diving department. However, the veteran mentor added that the three divers he has this season are working very hard. Lost to graduation was Fred Depka, the best diver in the school's history.

Smith said there are at least three swimmers who can compete in any event, while several can excel in more than one.

Topping the list of versatile swimmers are Rich Vezis, Shea Charles, and Dana Orsucci. Also adding depth to the lineup are Allan McFall, a New Zealand exchange student, Jason Osborne, Mike Jock, Mike Wojcik, John Welch, Steve Hershowitz, and Tony Ronshi.

Other competitors include Jeff Smith, Shawn Bellefeur, and Scott Anderson, all divers, and Paul Fonderles, Brian Osborne, Dave Allen, Jason Krynicki, Art Hastings, Chris Drapea, and John Belliveau.

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The top wrestlers in each event, according to Tomkiel are: Jim Pirro, 100-pound; Bob Beaulieu, 107-pound; excellent Barry Felix, 114-pound; strong Bob Dodge, 121-pound; Jim Frasco, Tom Cascio, 128-pound; Todd Godek, Evan Humphries, and Carter Bowrys, 134-pound; Tony Ingham and Benny Rocca, 140-pound; Chris White and Tony Langone, 147-pound; Glenn Tetreault, 157-pound; Tom King and Vinnie Palotta, 169-pound; Bob Altobelli and Jim Maloney, 187-pound; and Scott Mazza, heavyweight.

Tomkiel is just five matches away from his 100th career win. He is very optimistic about that happening after the team's fifth match, as he maintains the team will rip to a 5-0 start.

CAPSULE PREVIEW:

COACH: Phil Tomkiel, 12th year
LAST SEASON'S RECORD: 11-1, second in Western Mass. Division I, seventh overall in the state.

TOP RETURNERS: Jim Pirro, Bob Beaulieu, Barry Felix, Bob Dodge, Jim Frasco, Evan Humphries, Carter Bowrys, Tony Ingham, Chris White, Tom King, Glenn Tetreault, and Bob Altobelli.

PROMISING NEWCOMERS: Tom Cascio, Todd Godek, Benny Rocca, Tony Langone, Vinnie Palotta, Jim Maloney, and Scott Mazza.

STRENGTH: Experience in most weight classes, large team, quality and talent in starters in backups, depth.

WEAKNESS: Loss of Al Ingham who was a sure-thing victory in every meet.

OUTLOOK: EXCELLENT

Llewellyn Leads Gals Into 1985-86

by Judith Kelliher
Advertiser News Sports Editor

With veteran boys' varsity swim coach Dave Smith taking both the boys' and girls' teams, he has his hands full this season but remains enthusiastic about rebuilding the gals program.

The lady Brownies are coming off a dismal, 3-11 record last year but this season the outlook is much brighter as they lost only two swimmers to graduation.

Like the boys' squad, the gals have each event covered and possess several versatile swimmers who should help the team be competitive in Division B.

Smith did caution that while all the events are covered, they are lacking in second and third swimmers. Therefore, depth is a problem.

Key members of the gals' team returning are Chris Desilets (leaving for exchange in January, however), Anne Llewellyn, Tina Pirnie, Angela Mastromatteo, Judy Pignatara, Stacy Senflug, Dawn Fleury, Lori Spiro,

and Cathy Hoppings.

Llewellyn had a sensation freshman season in 1984-85 and even bigger things are expected of her in 1985-86.

Newcomers this season include Erica Velasco, an exchange student from Mexico, Karen Wright, Beth Marzano, Chris David, Becky Fisher, Jen Scalice, and Kim Christy.

Both the boys' and girls' teams will open the season on the same day. At presstime, they faced Amherst, at home. Agawam's 15-meet schedule included contests vs. Division B opponents East Longmeadow, Easthampton, Classical, and Amherst. The Division A opponents are Westfield, Longmeadow, Minnechaug, and Northampton.

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AAA PIRANHAS JUNIOR TEAM, 8-and-under boys: From left - Mark Guillemette, Jonathan Desrochers, Tyler Van Tassell, Joshua Lightcap, Jared Chianciola, Steven Gallant, and Jonathan David. Missing: Keith Long and Michael Senflug.



AAA PIRANHAS SWIM TEAM, 8-and-under girls: Rachel Niemiec, Jocelyn Desrochers, Jennifer Pressey, Heather Pliska, Melanie Guillemette, Eileen Daly, and Elizabeth Christian. Missing from photo: Nicole Brittain, Kelly Day, Megan Krynicki, and Alexandra Page.

Agawam AA Piranhas Kick-Off Winter Campaign

In late October, the Agawam Athletic Association Piranhas Swim Team, with 98 members, began its winter season. This year, the swimmers are very fortunate to have returning coach Autumn Snow, as well as Tom Pirnie, veteran swimming instructor for the YMCA, to guide the program.

The Piranhas are a group of dedicated young swimmers who practice four nights each week at Agawam Junior High pool.

Most Saturdays are spent competing against some of the best teams in the Pioneer Valley. The team is divided into five age groups: 8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, and 15-18 years of age.

The team is off to another good start this year with a 1-1 record, losing a close opening meet in Wilbraham on November 16th, but quickly rebounded to overcome West Springfield, 442-417.

The 8-and-under boys age group, undefeated throughout last season, continued their winning ways with excellent races by Jonathan David, Michael Senflug, Tyler Van Tassell, Jared Chianciola, 100 yard medley relay; Marc Guillemette, 25 yard freestyle;

and Jared Chianciola, 50-yard freestyle.

Members of the 9-10 boys age group did well, including near-photo finishes by Gary Jock, 100-yard IM and 100-yard freestyle; Tony Wojcik, 50-yard backstroke; and members of the 200-yard freestyle relay team — Tony Wojcik, Jeff Drapeau, Tim Christian, and Andrew David.

Close competition seemed to be the order of the day, and the 11-12 girls age group was no exception. Sandy Albano turned in two very exciting races, 200-yard IM and 50-yard butterfly, while Erica Vanderhoof, in races that were neck and neck from start to finish, took first place in both the 50-yard backstroke and 50-yard breaststroke.

In the 13-14 girls' age group, Kim Christy and Susan Rahilly tallied 10 points for the Piranhas, pushing each other to first and second place wins in the 200-yard

freestyle event.

In what was probably the closest and most controversial race of the day, Judy Llewellyn lost to her opponent at the finish line by only .16 seconds in the 50-yard breaststroke.

The next home meet, to be held at the Agawam Junior High pool, will take place on Saturday, January 11th, at 1:00 p.m., against Easthampton.

Unlike other sports, a swimming roster is not limited to a specific number of members. Anyone interested in reaping the many benefits of competitive swimming should please contact Irene Scalise, 786-5010 or Mary Paltz, 786-0752. Pictures of other age groups will be featured with future articles.

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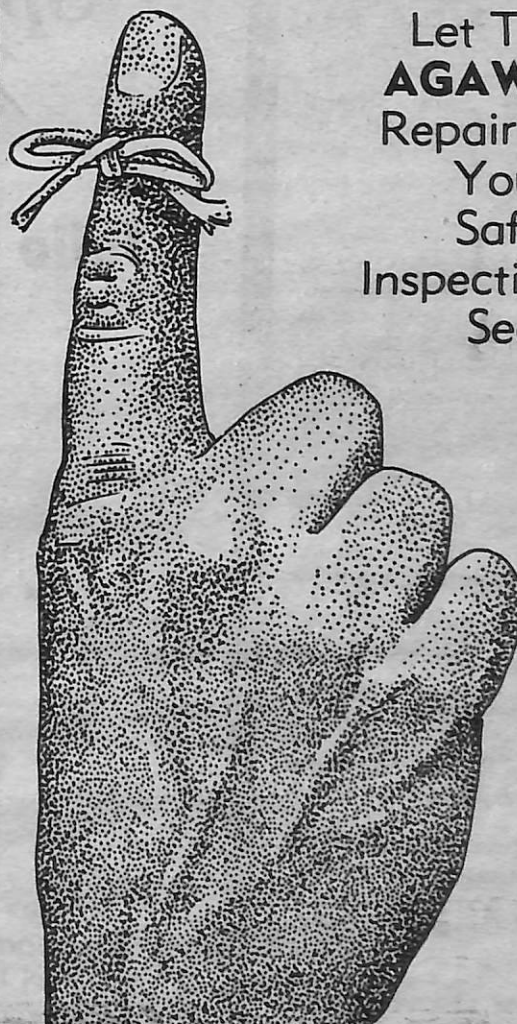
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VARSITY CHEERLEADERS Michelle Montessi and Gina Dialessi, this year's varsity cheerleading captains, display special cake made for senior members of the Agawam High football team for 1985. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.



THE 1985 AGAWAM HIGH VARSITY FOOTBALL TEAM recently held its season-ending banquet at Tekoa Country Club, sponsored by the Gridiron Moms. Coaches and captains for the season pictured, are, back row, from left - Dean Vecchiarelli, Joe Modzelewski (head), Gary Geiger, and Jim Phelan. Senior captains are - Tony Moccio, Jim Maloney, Peter Saracino, Ken Berard, and Tony Ingham. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

AAA Suburban Girls Streak To 29th Straight

And the streak goes on... The Agawam Athletic Association sponsored 7th-8th grade Suburban girls' basketball team has rolled out to a 6-0 record at presstime.

Combined with last year's championship season of 23-0, the young girls have now won 29 straight. The girls are under the direction of veteran AAA coach Bob Hersey and new assistant coach Carl Poole.

The AAA's most recent success came at the Annual West Springfield Tip-Off Classic where it won the championship.

In the title game, Agawam bounced Greenfield,

50-24, as returning veterans Jennifer Scaggs, Missy Brown, Alana Graham, Cathy Scaggs, and Karen Patterson spearheaded the effort.

"The girls are playing outstanding basketball, especially on defense," praised Hersey. "Every kid is doing their job offensively and defensively."

A handful of newcomers were also instrumental in the wins at the Tip-Off Classic, including Joy Clark, Sharon Phaneuf, Maura Martin, Alyson Manning, An-

drea Tobin, Kristin Wing, and Lisa Suffritti.

The AAA's other two tip-off victories were against Northampton, 60-12, and Longmeadow, 61-24.

Balanced scoring and aggressive defense have accounted for Agawam's lop-sided triumphs, which also include West Springfield, 43-32; Chicopee Dara, 48-19; and South Hadley, 39-17.

In four of the six wins by Agawam, all 12 girls have scored.

"I'm really pleased with the way the girls are playing and I hope we can keep the streak going," said Hersey.

JUDITH KELLIHER

LEGAL NOTICE

The Agawam Planning Board will hold a public hearing on January 16th, 1985, at 7:00 p.m., in the Agawam Public Library, 750 Cooper Street, Agawam, MA. This hearing will be to hear the petition of the Agawam Planning Board to amend the following sections the Agawam Zoning Ordinances:

- General Provisions
- Business A Districts
- Business B Districts
- Industrial A Districts
- Industrial B Districts

These proposed amendments can be viewed in the Agawam Town Clerk's Office, 36 Main Street, Agawam, MA, Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m., until 4:30 p.m.

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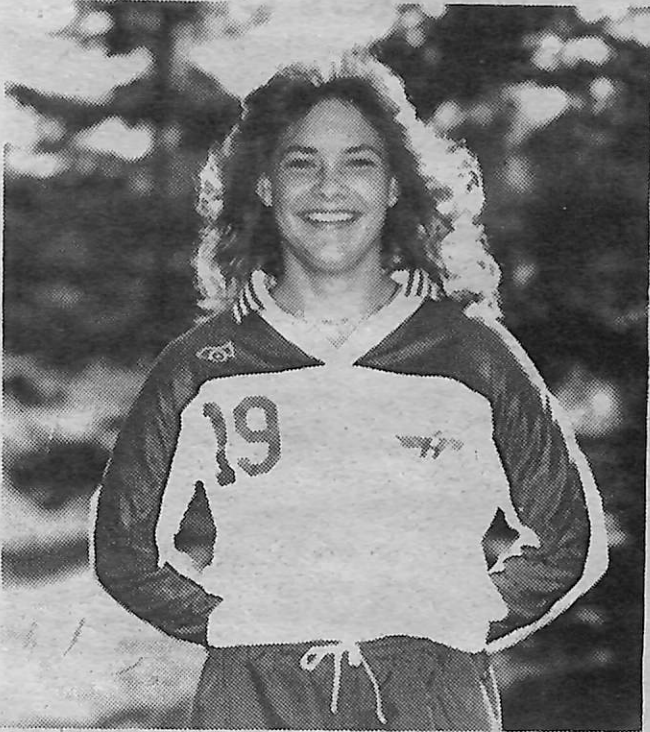
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FORMER AGAWAM HIGH SOCCER STAR
Cari Szabla now competes for the University
of Hartford.

Riverside Speedway Continues To Draw New Race Teams

Riverside Park Speedway, Agawam, is continuing to attract many of the new race teams for 1986. It's hard to figure out why so many teams are taking a look at the newly renovated Riverside Park Speedway.

Some of the experts say it's the way the management treats the competitors, while others say it's simply the bonus cash and the sponsorship.

Still, others feel that it's just because of the nature of the unique facility. The experts can argue all day on why, but the facts show that in 1985 Riverside drew an average field of 31 Modifieds and had an average weekly attendance of 5,800 people. NASCAR stated that Riverside was the most successful short track in the country.

For 1986, Riverside is going to again break all existing records. With a brand new race track, bankings, and a new Modified purse, they're ready for the March 29th season opener.

On that opening night, several new competitors have showed interest in building for the 1986 Winston Riverside line-up. One of the new teams will come from Enfield, with front-running SK Modified driver Brad Hietala moving up to the Modified division. Hietala will venture to the Modifieds in a brand new 1986 Fyne-Lyne Troyer Cavalier. The car will again be prepared by Brad's noted crew, but the big change will be in a number and a Precision Modified engine. Hietala will go into this venture with the help and support of noted SK owner Cliff Nelson.

Nelson, a successful Enfield businessman, will again own and maintain the SK Modified driven by Bob Mercier. He will also be a key financial sponsor of Hietala's modified, now number 90 for 1986. When asked about the newly-announced team, Hietala replied with a great deal of interest and excitement, "We are really looking forward to the Modifieds and running at Riverside. With the help of Cliff Nelson and the dedications of my crew, I feel we can conquer most anything," he said. Nelson was just as positive, stating, "We are all old drag racing friends and this will give us a chance to expand our relationship."

Hietala will also be a leading contender for the 1986 Modified Rookie Program. His SK Modified experience, and positive attitude should make him a leading driver at Riverside in 1986.

The park will open its 1986 season on March 29th with the Eagle Snacks 100, a special event for the NASCAR Modifieds. First will pay \$1,600; second, \$1,100; third, \$900; fourth, \$675; and fifth, \$525. Pit fees for all events is \$6 (Nascar members). General admission for events will be \$6.95, with kids eight and under 95 cents.

For a free schedule and more, write Riverside Speedway, P.O. Box 307, Agawam, MA, 01001, Attention: Gina.

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Cari Szabla Plays For UHartford Soccer

The University of Hartford women's soccer season ended on November 8th with a heartbreaking 2-1 overtime defeat at the hands of Adelphi University in the first round of the ECAC Division I tournament. Former Agawam High star, 1985 graduate Cari Szabla, was a member of the team this year.

But 1985 will not be remembered for that one game. It will be viewed as a milestone year in which University of Hartford women's soccer "arrived" and established itself as a respected program.

Hartford was invited to the ECAC tournament for the second consecutive year. This year's tourney was the strongest ever with host and top-seeded Rutgers University, second-seeded Adelphi University, third-seeded University of Hartford, and fourth-seeded University of New Hampshire.

The Lady Hawks met Adelphi twice before. The two competed less than a week earlier, playing to a 0-0 overtime tie. Ironically, Hartford and Adelphi confronted each other in this same tournament a year ago with the Panthers gaining the victory, 1-0.

The stage was set for what had now become a genuine rivalry. The two previous matchups were

physical, nip-and-tuck affairs and the meeting in New Brunswick proved to be no different.

In only their second year of varsity competition, the Lady Hawks (12-4-1) finished the year ranked sixth in New England behind Massachusetts, UConn, Boston College, Brown, and New Hampshire College. The first four schools were given NCAA bids, while New Hampshire won the ECAC Division II title.

Hartford's four losses, to Radford, Rutgers, New Hampshire College and Adelphi, came against teams that, at some point during the fall, were ranked in the national top 20.

For the season, the Lady Hawks averaged almost four goals (3.66) a game while allowing less than one goal (0.79) per game. They outscored their opponents 65 goals to 14, relying on strong goalie play and a stellar defense.

"When a team matches your blueprint for the year, you have to be pleased," commented head coach Ted Stavropoulos. "I'm very proud of the team and the image they brought to the University. They worked very hard to gain the success they enjoyed throughout the year."

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EXCELLING FOR THE WESTERN NEW ENGLAND COLLEGE Golden Bears on the soccer field this past fall were former Agawam High players, from left - Jen O'Brien, Sue Harpin, and Darlene Vignato. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

Harpin, O'Brien, & Vignato Excell For Golden Bears

Three former Agawam High School standouts were key performers for this year's Western New England College women's varsity soccer team. Sue Harpin, Jennifer O'Brien, and Darlene Vignato all played important roles in the Golden Bears' 12-5-0 season.

WNEC came within one game of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics' (NAIA) national championships. Under the direction of head coach Patrick Ricci, the squad reached the finals of the NAIA Eastern Regional Tournament.

O'Brien was the team's leading scorer with 11 goals and 3 assists. The former All-Western Mass. selection was selected to the NAIA All-Eastern Regional Tournament team. The sophomore forward is majoring in sociology at the college and is the daughter of William & Joanne O'Brien, 18 Western Drive, Agawam.

Harpin was second in scoring with 8 goals and 2 assists, and was also selected to the All-Tournament Team. Another former All-Western Mass. choice, she plays forward. Majoring in engineering, the freshman is the daughter of Fred & Christine Harpin, 32 Federal Street, Agawam.

Vignato scored one goal playing midfield position for the Bears. A freshman computer information systems major, she is the daughter of Gino & Carla Vignato, 34 Day Street, Feeding Hills.

Park & Rec Seeks Over-30 Players For Hoop League

This adult basketball league is for anyone who has reached their 30th year of life. The "Over 30" League is organized for both total teams or individuals who would like to be assigned to a team. If interested, report to the Agawam High School Gym on December 8th or 15th from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. For further information, contact league commissioner Peter Hanson at 786-2355. Teams will practice each Sunday during the month of December and the games will begin in January, 1986.

AHS Gym Slated To Be Open For Informal Hoop Play

The Agawam High School Gym will be open for adults who wish to play informal basketball on Monday nights, December 9th, 16th, and 23rd, from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. The cost is \$2.00 per person payable to the supervisor at the door. You are requested to bring your own basketball. There will be no program during the holiday season. The program will resume on Monday, January 6th, 1986 and run through the month of March.

BEST LOCAL SPORTS

AHS Wrestling Boosters Underway



OFFICERS OF THE AGAWAM HIGH WRESTLING BOOSTER CLUB held its first meeting to organize for the new year. This year's officers are, from left - Ron Wieners, vice-president; Andrea Wieners, treasurer; Mary Ditomaso, secretary; and Ernie Tetreault, president. Advertiser News photo by Jack Devine.

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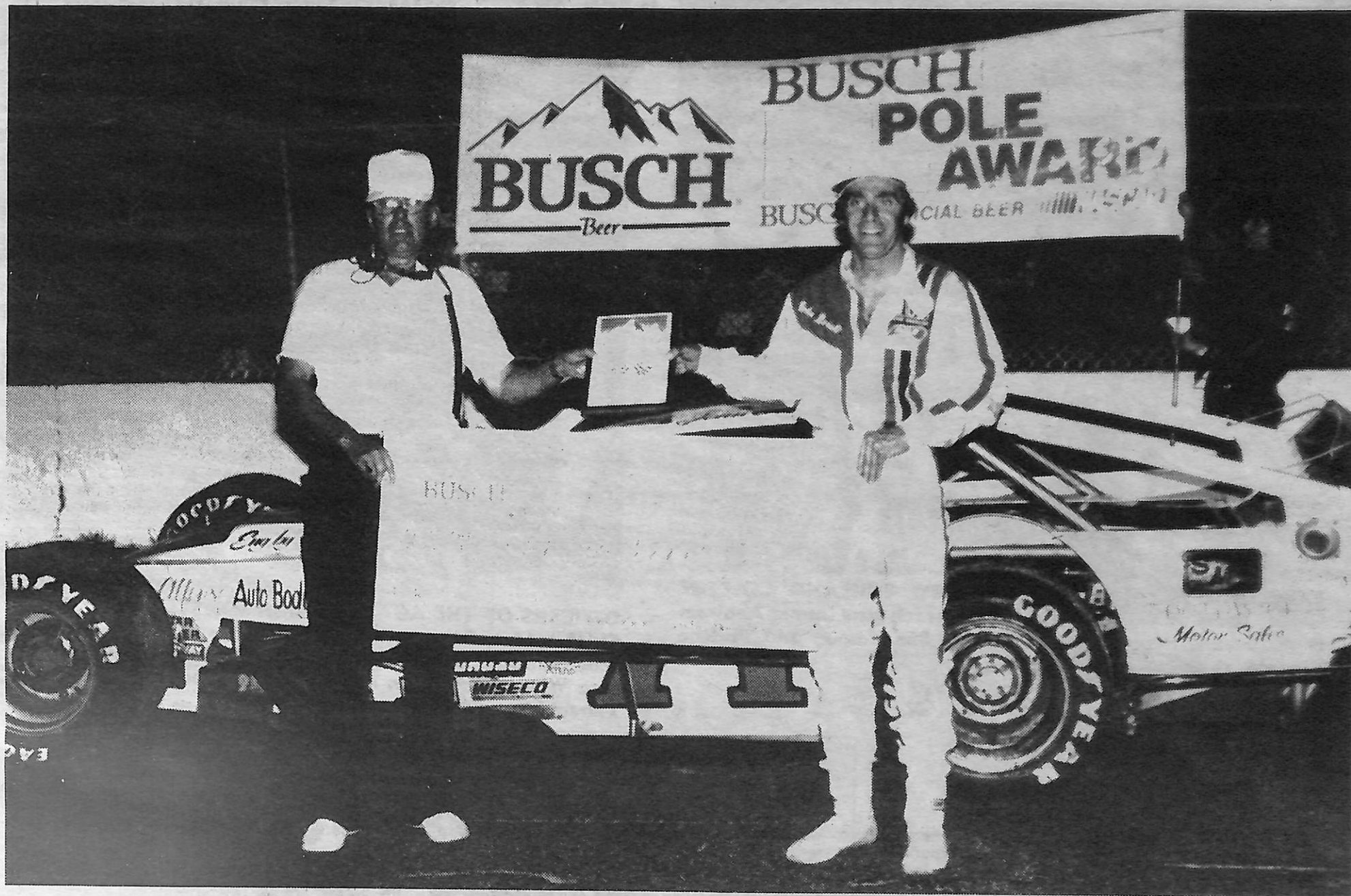
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FOR HIS EFFORTS IN A BUSCH BEER SPONSORED RACE, John Rosati (right) entered the winner's circle with his big check for his efforts.

John Rosati Basks In 1985 Achievements

Things simply began to jell for Agawam's John Rosati when he met and teamed up with Ron Young of Southwick Motor Sales, who had two modified racing cars at his disposal in 1984.

Rosati, son of well-known local trucking owner John Rosati, Sr., has become a new hero in the annals of local racing after his record-breaking 1985 track season at Riverside Speedway.

Rosati, 33, recently received the championship trophy at the Annual Riverside Speedway Awards Banquet at Vincent's Steak House for garnering the most points of any other modified racer at Riverside Speedway during the 1985 season, a first for the Agawam driver.

With the support, cooperation, and friendship between Rosati and Young of Southwick Motors, the 1985 racing season began with a bang for Rosati. He won the May modified opener at Riverside and then the big "Spring Fling" at the Monadnock Motor Speedway.

Ran Consistent All Summer

Throughout the summer months, Rosati ran very strong and consistently at Riverside. On August 31st, his summer-long battle with the great Reggie Ruggerio

of Forestville, Connecticut, ended in being crowned the point champion of the modified division.

"I'll always hold this championship as if it was my very first," said Rosati, who is also president of the family trucking business and drives an 18-wheeler when on the road. "I can't say enough about the Ron Young racing team, especially Barry Kuhnle, who Ron employed to head-up our racing operation this year," said Rosati.

The exploits of the Number 71 Pontiac team earned even more accolades for Rosati when he captured his second consecutive "September. Excitement Series" championship at Riverside. This series is a four-race format with a purse that draws the top modified drivers to Riverside to vie for the mini-championship.

Another major victory for Rosati came in July at Connecticut's Thompson International Speedway's

"Showdown of Champions," featuring some of the leading Grand National drivers such as Tim Richmond, and Richard and Kyle Petty.

In this 35-lap modified feature, Rosati walked off with the win and his picture appeared in several leading race magazines alongside the famous Richard Petty on victory lane.

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The mark of consistency was all over DEBBIE POIRIER, the captain of defending grand champion St. Louis, in the Monday night Tri-Parish Bowling League, held at the Agawam Bowl.

Debbie fired consecutive strings of 125-125-125 to establish a new women's high for the 1985-86 season.

Around the league after three weeks of rolling in Round Two, 1983-84 grand champions St. Anselm continue to shine as they pounded away at lowly Catholic University (10th place-3 wins). St. A's is the leader with 11 wins. The league's new rising star, RAY "The Bruiser" BARBIERI, launched a whopping 366 in a head-to-head battle with CU anchor and captain JIM SNYDER (328). Also rolling big numbers for St. A's is the resurgent captain VI MASSOIA (325). The lone winner for CU was VENETTA SNYDER, mom of Jim (278).

Surprising Holy Cross, the former laughing stock of the league, are quite serious about making a run at the Round Two title. HC (2nd place-10 wins) clocked last place Villanova (2 wins), a team still trying to get out of a rut they left themselves in when they lost the Round One title to Boston College in the final week.

The reason for HC winning this match rests squarely on the shoulders of FRANK "The Lordly Barber" RESCIGNO, who was totally dominated by ERNIE BLAIR, 331-273. KEITH RESCIGNO did his job by beating LAURIE SNYDER, 267-264. And JEAN BUONICONTI stopped HC's DANA PEPPER, 295-277. In the anchor position, the superb STU STORK could only beat STEVE ROVITHIS, 347-346.

What happened to ole Frankie? He came to the lanes rather lethargic, indeed. Is he still devastated emotionally by that crushing defeat to BC? Perhaps. Stay tuned for further developments on this story in coming weeks.

St. Louis (3rd place-7 wins) used Debbie Poirier's huge 375 to whip Fordham (6th place-6 wins). The other winner for St. Lou was FELIX PEPPER. In this very spirited match, RICH SNYDER of Fordham racked-up a solid 333-314 victory over MIKE O'CONNELL JR.; and ANN O'CONNELL, captain of Fordham, did have a 313 but that score couldn't hold a candle to Debbie Poirier's big night. Another roller over the 300 pinfall mark was JANICE MOCCIO of Fordham (305).

Round One winner Boston College (4th place-7 wins) split with St. Mary (8th place-5 wins). BC is still rather casual about this round. Winners for BC were PAT RESCIGNO (270), SANDY PRZESZLO (310), and TONY DEPALO (274). However, in the battle of the captains, the very tough FRED MORASSI whipped the Round One Most Valuable Bowler BOBBY MOCCIO, 345-319. Bobby, for his part, didn't seem to mind that much. He's still grinning at the Lordly Barber!

Still hanging fairly tough in fifth place in Round Two is Georgetown (5th place-7 wins). G-Town captain AL "The Fearsome One" MOCCIO desperately wants to get into the spring playoffs this year. G-Town outscraped St. Michael's (9th place-5 wins), a most puzzling team, indeed.

G-Town winners were JOHN MLINEK (308), JAY LAGODITZ (a 269 tie with GINNY BENJAMIN) and CHERYL PRZESZLO (289). Also winning for G-Town was Moccio, who took a 314-302 victory over MIKE O'CONNELL. G-Town took the much-needed sweep.

In the final match of the night, Loyola (7th place-6 wins), a team that is always in the middle of the pack somewhere, fought it out with Notre Dame (11th place-3 wins), a team that's heading back to the cellar where they've been for several years.

The only Loyola winner was MAYBETH "Miss Consistent" COUGHLIN with her second straight over-300 pinfall night (309). If Maybeth continues this, look for Loyola to move-up the table before the round is over.

ND had a good night but really couldn't totally shake Loyola. Winners were RENEE JURY (312), JOE CALABRAIS (269), and captain JOHN RESCIGNO (339). Rescigno showed the Lordly Barber how it's done by defeating EDDIE ANDERSON (323), who came back after last week's horror show.



Sportsman's Corner
by Bill Chiba
Outdoor Sports Writer

Tales Of The Deer!

When a group of deer hunters is thrown together during or before the deer season, a wide variety of old wives' tales about the breeding habits of the buck deer is heard.

It is amazing in that every tale-teller believes that what he is saying is the gospel fact, and he will come up with some incident that happened in the past to prove that what he says is a true fact.

I find that most deer hunters are unfamiliar with the whitetail's breeding habits. Unfortunately for them, a good knowledge of the whitetail's breeding behavior is important when trying to harvest a buck. Understanding the breeding rituals of deer can mean the difference between continual success or failure in placing that deer rack on the wall.

Controlled By Sunlight

A buck's lifestyle is controlled by the amount of sunlight to which he is exposed. Light passing through his eyes signals the pituitary gland at the base of the brain. As daylight hours decrease in September, the pituitary hormone is ejected into the buck's reproductive system and the build up of the sperm count begins.

A hormone called testosterone enters the bloodstream along with the pituitary hormone. The combining of the two causes the buck's antlers to stop growing. Blood stops flowing beneath the outer membrane of velvet of the antlers. The velvet then dries up and falls off.

The decreased light affects the pituitary gland. Less hormones are expelled into the bloodstream and the unbalance of the two hormones causes the buck to go into rut by late October. By definition, rut is a time of sexual excitement and urge among animals. For the deer hunter, the rut is a great time to harvest a buck.

During the breeding season, the buck leaves rubs on selected trees and scrapes on the ground. These are calling cards. Antler rubs serve as boundary markers; they mark off a particular area a buck considers his territory. Rubbing is not a velvet removal activity. It's a strengthening process.

Generally, tree size and its resistance ability are hints of the size of the buck. Rubs aren't much aid to the deer hunter other than locating the general area in which the buck hangs out.

Two Types Of Scrapes

There are two types of scrapes: territorial and breeding scrapes. The important one to the hunter is the breeding scrape. It is rechecked and reworked by the buck that made it and other bucks in the area.

Generally, a breeding scrape is larger and more defined than a territorial scrape and it has a hanging branch about it in the middle of the scrape. This branch is the key to the mating ritual.

The buck uses the branch to rub pheromones from the preorbital gland which is located near the tear duct. The buck holds the branch in his teeth and rubs the branch across his face. A waxy secretion is left on the branch. This is his own individual scent and he urinates into the breeding scrape before leaving it. A doe looking for a mate visits the scrape, also urinates into it, and then moves off to wait for the buck.

The hunter that stakes out a breeding scrape is more than likely to fill his tag with a nice buck. Of course, it is not that easy. The hunter has to be a clever hunter and do everything right before he can best the wily buck.

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ROSATI - From Page 41...

Rosati points to 1984 as the turning point for him when he hooked up with Ron Young and Southwick Motors.

The previous year, 1983, saw Rosati return to the racing scene after miserable seasons in 1981 and 1982. He said he'd rather forget those years when neck and back injuries he sustained in two separate accidents at Seekonk Speedway sent him to the sidelines as a spectator.

"I was determined to make a comeback in 1983. I just loved racing too much to stand around and watch. It's obvious that racing boils in my blood," said Rosati.

His return to the racing circuit in 1983 proved his determination and intestinal fortitude. He teamed with Ed Hendreau and Paul Readron to form the Norwood Subaru Number 7 Race Team. After winning a race at Stafford Motor Speedway in May 1983, Rosati broke with his new team, but continued to periodically drive other modifieds throughout the remainder of the summer.

Rosati let it be known he was back for good at the premier Winston Thompson 300 in September 1983. Rosati was asked to pilot the Number 711 car of racing star Bob Polverari. Although it was Rosati's first time ever in this modified, he trialed fastest of the 74-car field and was leading the event at the halfway marker when the engine expired.

Although very disappointed at this unfortunate turn of events, Rosati soon became a focal point of discussion in the modified racing scene after this spectacular performance.

Prior to this, Rosati began building his reputation as a quality and exciting driver on area and regional speedways. He began his racing career at the tender age of 12 by building-carts. After attending many Riverside Speedway races, he decided to try his hand at a Tuesday night sportsman car event and in 1966, the first of the well-known Rosati Ford Fairlanes debuted with Bob Stefanik as the driver.

Good Mix With Stefanik

During 1966 to 1968, Rosati built and maintained Riverside Park late model Sportsman Championship Cars, all wearing the number 36. As the driver, Stefanik walked away with just about every honor possible at the track.

In 1969, "Little John," as he was affectionately called, decided to pilot his own racer and accomplished a feat few other 17 year-olds have ever done. In his first year of racing, he captured the Westboro Speedway Late Model Championship and made his mark as a driver as well as a designer and mechanic.

Unveiling a spanking new 1967 Ford Fairlane racer in 1970, Rosati became the youngest driver to compete under the NASCAR banner at Thompson Speedway. In his first race as a NASCAR driver, he annexed the checkered flag with a 1970 Ford Boss engine encased under the hood.

He continued his climb up the race ladder with many appearances and victories at regional speedways. Probably one of the greatest honors ever bestowed on him was being named Stafford Motor Speedway's "Rookie of the Year" in 1976.

Over 500 friends and admirers jammed an affair held to honor Rosati for the accomplishment following the season.



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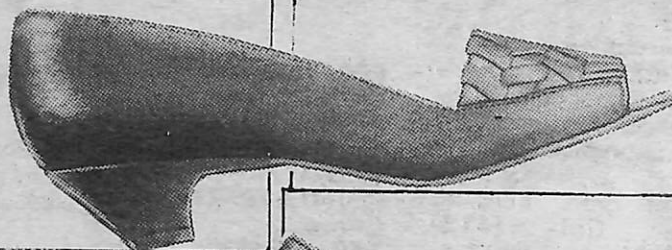
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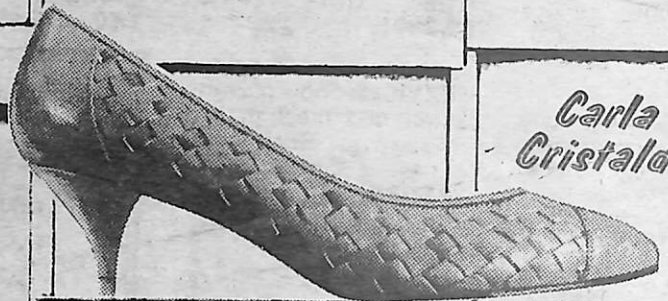
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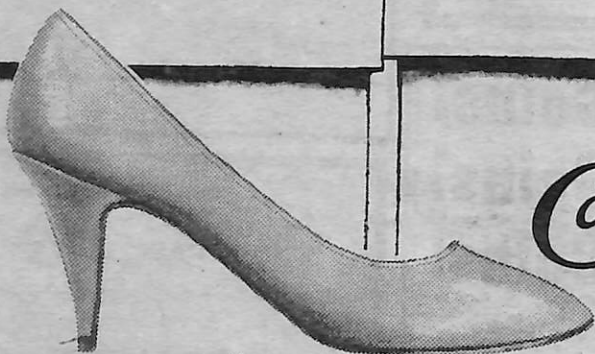
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